

In His Name E Christopher Reyes, Ch. Two: AMERICAN CONSTITUTION.

Of Misdirected Faith there was plenty during the Middle Ages, and intellectual darkness, and superstition also, but likewise historical judgment of medieval Christianity, which fails to discern how subtly faith, racism, and superstition blended debauched human piety, and thought as being valid, and accepted. The Declaration of Independence shares the same racist origins as the Constitution.

~cf. Isaiah 45:7.

*"Experience witnesseth that Ecclesiastical establishments, instead of maintaining the purity, and efficacy of religion, have had a contrary operation. During almost fifteen centuries has the legal establishment of Christianity been on trial. What has been its fruits? More or less, in all places, pride, and indolence in the clergy; Ignorance, and servility in the laity; In both, superstition, bigotry, and persecution."* ~James Madison, A Memorial and Remonstrance, addressed to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, 1785.

A year later, for the first time in contemporary history a law was passed that specifically, and explicitly, put into legal code the principle of separation of church and state, which meant, equality before the law of all of all faiths, and all of no faiths, which was in 1786, in the American state of Virginia when a law was passed called the Religious Freedom Statute of Virginia, which specifically, and explicitly, recognized that no law could, or would be passed legally favoring either one faith over another faith, or favoring faith over no faith.

It was only through the contact with a *"Nobler race"* of White people in his master slave relationship that there is any hope of elevating the ethics of Africans [*Blacks*]. ~Presbyterian Minister Robert Lewis Dabney, 1867, *A Defence of Virginia*, and through Her, of the South in Recent and Pending Contests against the Sectional Party, 1867, p. 281.

Behind the virtually unanimous support of slavery lay the universal Christian belief shared by many Whites in the North and West as well, that Blacks were an innately inferior people, less than Whites, who had risen only to a state of barbarism in their native Africa and who could live in a civilized society only if disciplined through slavery.

Biblical Orthodoxy? Southern racist Christian theologians challenged their Abolitionist opponents to produce any chapter, or verse whereby Jesus, or the Bible, actually condemns slavery.

Constricted freedom, restricted education, modest food, ragged clothing, dilapidated lilliputian housing quarters, and yet a Christians Apologist states, *"A few slave holders were undeniably cruel. Examples of slaves beaten to death were not common, neither were they unknown. The majority of slave holders treated their slaves well."* ~Glen Chambers, *United States History For Christian Schools*.

Southern Methodist preacher J. W. Tucker tells his racist constituent Confederates in 1862, *"Your cause is the cause of God, the cause of Christ, of humanity. It is a conflict of truth with error, of Bible with Northern infidelity, of pure Christianity with Northern fanaticism."* ~Noll, *The Civil War as a Theological Crisis*, p. 19.

Nearly 1,000,000 Americans were casualties of the Civil War, out of a population of a little more than 31,000,000. Some claim that, *"The Civil War was a class war."* ~Christopher Hill.

One Abolitionist challenged pro-slavery advocates by asking, *"Where is the sentence [of so-called Divinely Inspired Holy Scripture] in which God ever appointed you, the Anglo-Saxon race [over another people], you, the mixture of all races under Heaven, you, who can not tell whether the blood of Sem, Ham, or*

*Japheth mingles in your veins?"* ~Stephen R. Haynes, *Noah's Curse: The Biblical Justification of American Slavery*, 2002. cf. II Timothy 3:16 versus I Corinthians 7:6, I Corinthians 7:12, and II Corinthians 11:17.

The citizenry of Virginia, in support of, and influencing passing this law were, again, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison, who were two long-time Virginia politicians, and also two of the American Revolution's original leaders as well as key figures originally in the Second Continental Congress, the original First American Revolution of 1775-1783's Revolutionary Government at the historical time America was in armed violent insurrection against the British Empire and fighting to separate from the British Empire, to become a separate and independent country, free from monarchical rule and Papal Sovereignty.

American authors tend to make saints of our early founding fathers of which they weren't. They were human beings, just like us, with faults, and ambitions. Fortunately they were highly educated and intelligent.

Thomas Jefferson, like Benjamin Franklin, was a believer in rational thinking and self-determination, spoke out against Christian indoctrinated laws, which forbid Freedom of the Press, free thinking while keeping his own personal views on religion fiercely private.

In 1786, Thomas Jefferson wrote a Virginia law forbidding the state from compelling anyone to attend a certain church or persecuting them for their religious beliefs.

The law unseated the Anglican Church as the official church of Virginia. Jefferson was so proud of his accomplishment that he told his heirs he wanted it to be inscribed on his tombstone, along with his authorship of the Declaration of Independence, and his founding of the University of Virginia.

*"When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution, and the Declaration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir. This note was a promise that all men, yes, Black men as well as White men, would be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."* ~Pastor Martin

Luther King, Jr., *I have a Dream* speech.

*"We the people?"* The stirring biased opening words of the Preamble, *"We the People of the United States,"* makes it clear who is establishing the government, and for whose benefit it exists, i.e., Privileged Whites only, privileged men, [*no women, and no Minorities, e.g., Blacks, Native Americans, or Mexicans*]. A Constitutional document, which, for over a century was virtually meaningless to the working class, women, and minorities.

Of the 55 delegates to the Constitutional Convention, about 25 owned slaves. Many of the framers supposedly harbored moral misgivings regarding slave ownership. Some, including Benjamin Franklin, a former slaveholder, and Alexander Hamilton, who was born in a slave colony in the British West Indies, later became members of anti-slavery societies.

Under present law, once a woman becomes pregnant, she loses her rights. A woman's rights are now dictated by men, politicians, and the religious right. Will the state mandate that the remains of miscarriages must be collected and preserved for burial, as Vice. Pres. Pence once tried to do so in Indiana?

Our Constitution expresses the rights of man, not woman, and the decision of the denial of *Roe vs. Wade* confirms this. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito's religious belief is that, *"Human life"* begins at conception.

On the issue of abortion, a Jewish perspective from Biblical times, abortion is

considered from a social perspective rather than from a theological perspective. The mother's life being considered as a priority.

Abortion would be allowed if it was in the interest of racial hygiene... The Nazis did allow, and in some cases even required, abortions for women deemed racially inferior... On November 10, 1938, a Luneberg court declared abortion legal for Jews.

In 1939, in Nazi Germany, it was announced that Jewish women could seek abortions, but non-Jewish women could not.

Jewish abortion practices were prevalent in Lower East Side, Manhattan, which are said to have carried the ancient Indian practice of sitting over a pot of steam into the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

In a letter to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., and in interviews with *The New York Times*, the Rev. Rob Schenck said he was told the outcome of the 2014 case weeks before it was ever announced.

The U.S. Supreme Court, in a 6-3 ruling in the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Whole Women's Health Org*, overturned *Roe v. Wade*, stripping away women's bodily autonomy, giving states the power to compel, oblige, or force women, legally, to give birth against their will.

Abortions have been around for millennia. *"I swear by Apollo, the physician, and Aesculapius, and Health, and All heal, and all the Gods, and Goddesses, that, according to my ability, and judgment, I will keep this Oath and this stipulation to reckon him who taught me this Art equally dear to me as my parents, to share my substance with him, and relieve his necessities if required; To look upon his offspring in the same footing as my own brothers, and to teach them this Art, if they shall wish to learn it, without fee or stipulation, and that by precept, lecture, and every other mode of instruction, I will impart a knowledge of the Art to my own sons, and those of my teachers, and to disciples bound by a stipulation and oath according to the law of medicine, but to none others. I will follow that system of regimen which, according to my ability and judgment, I consider for the benefit of my patients, and abstain from whatever is deleterious, and mischievous. I will give no deadly medicine to any one if asked, nor suggest any such counsel, and in like manner I will not give to a woman a pessary to produce abortion. With purity and with holiness I will pass my life and practice my Art. I will not cut persons laboring under the stone, but will leave this to be done by men who are practitioners of this work. Into whatever houses I enter, I will go into them for the benefit of the sick, and will abstain from every voluntary act of mischief, and corruption, and, further from the seduction of females, or males, of freemen and slaves. Whatever, in connection with my professional practice or not, in connection with it, I see or hear, in the life of men, which ought not to be spoken of abroad, I will not divulge, as reckoning that all such should be kept secret. While I continue to keep this Oath unviolated, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the art, respected by all men, in all times! But should I trespass, and violate this Oath, may the reverse be my lot!"* ~Hippocratic Oath, 400 B.C.E. cf. Luke 9:1-2.

In the 21st century, American Right Wing Religious zealots, and their overzealous elected officials are pushing for the reinstatement and implementation of the Anthony Comstock Act of 1873.

The original Section 211, enacted in 1873 of the Federal Criminal Code, and

considered to be the “Parent, Guardian, Care Taker,” of all the Comstock Laws, reads as follows: *“Every obscene, lewd, or lascivious, and every filthy book, pamphlet, picture, paper, letter, writing, print, or other publication of an indecent character; and every article or thing designed, adapted, or intended for preventing conception or producing abortion, or for any indecent or immoral use, and every article, instrument, substance, drug, medicine, or thing, which is advertised or described in a manner calculated to lead another to use or apply it for preventing conception or producing abortion, or for any indecent or immoral purpose and every written or printed card, letter, circular, book, pamphlet advertisement, or notice of any kind giving information directly, or indirectly, where, or how, or of whom, or by what means any of the hereinbefore mentioned matters, articles or things may be obtained or made, or where or by whom any act or operation of any kind for the procuring or producing of abortion will be done or performed or how or by what means conception may be prevented or abortion may be produced, whether sealed, or unsealed, and every letter, packet, or package, or other mail matter containing any filthy, vile, or indecent thing, device or substance and every paper, writing, advertisement or representation that any article, instrument, substance, drug, medicine, or thing may, or can be, used or applied, for preventing conception, or producing abortion, or for any indecent or immoral purpose, and every description calculated to induce or incite a person to so use or apply any such article, instrument, substance, drug, medicine, or thing, is hereby declared to be a non-mailable matter and shall not be conveyed in the mails or delivered from any post office, or by any letter carrier. Whoever shall knowingly deposit or cause to be deposited for mailing or delivery, anything declared by this section to be non-mailable, or shall knowingly take, or cause the same to be taken, from the mails for the purpose of circulating or disposing thereof, or of aiding in the circulation or disposition thereof, shall be fined not more than five thousand dollars, or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.”* ~Comstock Act, 1873.

This was what Christian society thought in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. “Perverts,” which means those who would promote sex outside of marriage. “Anthony Comstock’s moral code on this matter would seem then to boil down to about this, If he had presented it, shorn of all his adjectives, and settings: Some perverts use contraceptives, therefore the law should not allow any one at all to secure them or know anything about them, and besides, as most of those who are not perverts can’t be really trusted anyhow, hearing about or seeing contraceptives would be pretty sure to make them go to the Devil, especially young people, so the complete prohibition is after all the safest; However, if you happen to be decent and you can manage to get a doctor to give you some information, I will not have the doctor prosecuted, that is, provided he is my idea of reputable.” ~Mary Ware Dennett, p. 43.

In the Bible, if a man was suspicious of his wife's fidelity, he would take her to the high priest, who would then make a concoction, a special beverage for the woman to drink made from water, and the “Dust from the tabernacle floor.”

The use of birth control contraceptives increased throughout the 19th century, contributing to a 50% drop in the fertility rate in the United States between 1800 and 1900, particularly in the urban areas, apparently violating Christian ethics, morality, and preaching for abstinence. President Ronald Reagan preferred an

approach of concentrating only on abstinence programs.

On the abortion issue, the Christian ministry ignores the fact their God is the biggest abortionist, *"The people of Samaria must bear their guilt, because they have rebelled against their God. They will fall by the sword; their little ones will be dashed to the ground, their pregnant women ripped open."* ~Hosea 13:16, cf. Luke 1:41.

Supposedly, if the wife had been unfaithful, *"Her abdomen will swell and her womb will miscarry,"* and if she was innocent the drink would have no ill effect upon her. ~cf. Numbers 5:11-31, cf. Luke 1:41.

Obeys, or else! ~cf. Matthew 28:20.

According to the 2<sup>nd</sup> century Greek physician Soranus, the juice from a chickpea-size portion, taken once a month, was enough to do the trick. To the delight of the Cyrenians, and the everlasting dismay of everyone else, the plant grew exclusively in North Africa, along a 30-mile strip near the city, and when it failed to transplant to Syria and Greece, prices rose quickly, as did harvests.

By the beginning of the 1<sup>st</sup> century C.E., silphium, as a condiment, was more costly than silver by weight, but three centuries, after that it became extinct.

For years, family planning specialists have promised more convenient alternatives such as vaccines, *"Morning after," "Mourning After,"* pills, painless implants, and male contraceptives, while Church zealots have preached abstinence.

Abortion issues are not new to the American justice system, which is supposed to be neutral, but definitely not, as it attempts to force its Christian beliefs upon Americans. As a convenience and support of his religious beliefs, Supreme Court Justice Alito neglects to mention that there were no state, or federal laws, regulating abortion at the time of America's founding, and some states didn't regulate the procedure until after the Civil War. ~cf. Numbers 5:19-22, Luke 1:41, II Kings 8:12, II Kings 15:16, and Amos 1:13.

The earliest state to get an anti-abortion law was Massachusetts, the state so overwhelmed by Christian Puritan religious fanatics that the founders nearly rejected the state for admission into the union in 1812.

Andrew Jackson will win the Red Stick War in a decisive battle at Horseshoe Bend, 1814, which subsequent treaty required the Creek Nation to cede further native lands, more than 21 million acres of land to the United States.

The first anti-abortion law was passed in Mississippi, the state whose lawsuit provoked this unpopular decision, was placed on the books in 1839. George Washington had drawn his last breath a full 40 years earlier.

South Dakota received its law regulating abortion in 1899; Delaware, Tennessee and South Carolina got theirs in 1883. In the spring of 2014, despite strenuous objections from numerous women's groups, and medical organizations, the dominant Christian infused Tennessee state legislature passed, with bipartisan support, and the moderate Republican governor signed, a bill that would subject to criminal penalties of up to fifteen years in prison any drug using women who had a poor pregnancy outcome.

In North Carolina it 1881, in Kentucky 1879, in North Dakota 1877, in Utah and Georgia 1876 in Oklahoma 1875.

Religions throughout history have recognized life as starting with the first breath, as implied Biblically in the Old Testament, which hypocritical Christian lawmakers ignore. ~cf. Genesis 2:7 and 7:21-22.

An invasion of women's right to privacy? Will Mike Pence's menstrual-period registry be revived to keep track of pregnant women?

There is no consent required beyond the alleged will of the people for the people to govern themselves. The Constitution is a bold assertion of popular sovereignty, no king, no monarchism, which is countered by pointing out how elitist most of the elected delegates to the Constitutional Convention were, and how allegedly undemocratic the document they drafted was.

Only the privileged members of the House of Representatives were initially chosen directly by the voters. Senators were to be chosen indirectly by state legislatures, and the President by electors appointed by the elitist state legislatures.

While Thomas Jefferson's initial draft denounced slavery, this section was eventually removed for political, religious, and monetary reasons.

There was considerable opposition to the Constitution as initially drafted, both in the state conventions called to ratify it, and among ordinary Americans as Jesus was deliberately omitted, replaced with the *"Creator,"* or the *"Supreme Ruler of the Universe,"* to satisfy the beliefs of other religious groups.

The states followed in suit in order to fulfill the beliefs of various religions. Each state has its own *"We the People"* statement, or similar opening statement.

*"We the people of the State of Alabama, invoking the favor and guidance of Almighty God, do ordain and establish the following Constitution."* ~Alabama Preamble.

*"We, the people of the State of Washington, grateful to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for our liberties, do ordain this Constitution. Every single state constitution contains an affirmation of popular sovereignty."*

*"We, the People of the State of California, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, in order to secure, and perpetuate its blessings, do establish this Constitution."* ~California Preamble.

*"That all power being originally inherent in and consequently derived from the people, therefore, all officers of government, whether legislative or executive, are their trustees, and servants; And at all times, in a legal way, accountable to them."* ~Vermont, Article VI.

*"The People of Connecticut acknowledging with gratitude, the good providence of God, in having permitted them to enjoy a free government; Do, in order more effectually to define, secure, and perpetuate the liberties, rights and privileges which they have derived from their ancestors; Hereby, after a careful consideration and revision, ordain, and establish the following constitution and form of civil government."* ~Connecticut Preamble.

*"Through Divine goodness, all people have by nature the rights of worshiping and serving their Creator according to the dictates of their consciences, of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring and protecting reputation and property, and in general of obtaining objects suitable to their condition, without injury by one to another, and as these rights are essential to their welfare, for due exercise thereof, power is inherent in them, and therefore all just authority in the institutions of political society is derived from the people, and established with their consent, to advance their happiness; and they may for this end, as circumstances require, from time to time, alter their Constitution of government."* ~Delaware, Preamble.

*"Grateful to Almighty God for life and liberty, we, the people of Utah, in order to secure and perpetuate the principles of free government, do ordain and establish this Constitution."* ~Utah Preamble.

It took eighty-nine years after the Declaration of Independence proclaimed that all men to be free, and equal, a race based chattel slavery would be no more in the United States, yet discrimination silently continues to exist into the 21<sup>st</sup> century against women and minorities.

*"The trouble is that such a distinction is nowhere to be found in Jesus' own teaching, and seems to be precluded by His testimony both to the unqualified historical accuracy and the inspiration of the Old Testament [...]* The attempt to discriminate [...] Seems to be a product of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries." ~Geisler, N. L., *Inerrancy*, Zondervan, 1980, p. 22.

The Declaration of Independence specifically does not mention Christ, nor does it mention any Christian God. That word used in the Declaration of Independence for a supernatural being is, *"Creator."*

The Declaration also states that the people have God given rights, but does not state which God. In Thomas Jefferson's original draft of the Declaration of Independence, he calls the African slave trade an *"Execrable commerce,"* and an affront *"Against human nature itself."*

The majority of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were slave owners; 41 of the 56, though there were supposedly also ardent abolitionists among their number.

Along with Congress not being allowed to hinder in the international slave trade efforts, Article V of the Constitution directly disallows amending the slave import limitation.

In conclusion, the 1808 Fugitive Slave Clause, Article IV, Section 2, secure nationwide, made certain that slave owners had the right to seek, and regain their property, i.e., slaves.

Although the Constitution, Article IV clause restricted congressional power to control the international slave trade was not permanent, the Constitution still gave protection to slave owners by increasing the amount of representation in the Southern slave states.

In the 21<sup>st</sup> century suppression of minority voters is accomplished via gerrymandering, which state and federal courts skirt with their legal pontifications, which for those on the receiving end is annoyingly pompous and dogmatic, if not outright denial of rights, creating racial isolation from equal justice under the law, where minorities have been condemned to no equal justice under the law.

*"Those who will not reason, are bigots, those who cannot, are fools, and those who dare not, are slaves."* ~Lord Byron, George Gordon Byron, 6<sup>th</sup> Baron Byron FRS, 1788-1824.

The slave owner's right to pursue their runaway slaves was granted, and preserved by the Constitution. Not only was control over another human being made legal, the Constitution actually encouraged the ownership of slaves by giving more political representation while slaves were still flooding into the U.S., unchecked for two decades.

In 1794, 1800, and again in 1803, statutes were passed that severely restricted American participation in the slave trade.

No American shipyard could be used to build ships that would engage in the

slave trade, nor could any ship sailing from an American port traffic in slaves abroad.

Americans were also prohibited from investing in the slave trade. The participation in slave trade was officially abolished on January 1, 1808, yet history tells us that the American Civil War was fought from April 12, 1861–May 26, 1865, meaning the law merely looked good on paper, but seldom, if ever carried out, i.e., enforced, implemented.

Economy, not liberty. *"The American government had set out to fight the slave states in 1861, not to end slavery, but to retain the enormous national territory, and market, and resources."* ~Horace Greeley.

President Thomas Jefferson signed into law, which stipulated stiff penalties for any American convicted of participating in the slave trade, up to \$10,000 in fines, and five to ten years in prison. In 1823, a new law was then passed that punished slave-trading with death.

Early Congresses did not stop, nor prevent the spread of slavery. Between 1798 and 1822, Congress enacted ten territorial acts of which only half excluded slavery.

In July 1788, only a slim majority of New York delegates voted in favor of the Constitution, but only on the condition that amendments would be later added secure certain additional rights.

Thomas Jefferson believed that no document is Eternal, and that the American Constitution should lapse, and become null and void in 1808.

Thomas Jefferson believed in the principle believed that, *"The earth belongs to the living, and not to the dead,"* which means that previous generations cannot not bind the current generation to pay off their debts, or require them to work in their father's occupation, or to accept the laws, and Constitution drawn up by their ancestors. ~cf. I Corinthians 9:18, Matthew 27:52.

In Thomas Jefferson's reasoning, *"No society can make a perpetual Constitution, or even a perpetual law."*

The only *"Umpire"* between the generations was the *"Law of Nature."* Due to concessions to slave-holding interests, the Constitution stipulates that it may not be abolished, *"Prior to the year one thousand eight hundred and eight."* Two hundred-three years ago. ~cf. Article I, Section 9, Clause 1.

The majority of the current Supreme Court believes that *"The Wall of Separation, between Church and State,"* was only Thomas Jefferson's personal view, not in the Constitution, and not the consensus of the Founding Fathers as codified in the written text of the Constitution, which uses a different vague language.

In a letter Thomas Jefferson writes to James Madison, Father of the Constitution, Paris, France, after the French Revolution had already begun, Thomas Jefferson, 1743-1826, argues that any Constitution should expire after nineteen years, and must be renewed if it is not to become, *"An act of force, and not of right."*

Congresses maintained their authority regulate the transatlantic slave trade, pursuant to their power *"To regulate commerce with foreign nations."* ~Article I, Section 8, Clause 3.

*"The question Whether one generation of men has a right to bind another, seems never to have been started either on this or our side of the water... But, between society, and society, or generation, and generation there is no municipal obligation, no umpire but the Law of Nature. We seem not to have perceived*



*that, by the law of nature, one generation is to another as one independent nation to another... On similar ground it may be proved that no society can make a perpetual Constitution, or even a perpetual law. The earth belongs always to the living generation... Every constitution, then, and every law, naturally expires at the end of nineteen years. If it be enforced longer, it is an act of force, and not of right.*" ~ *The Works of Thomas Jefferson*, twelve volumes.

*"A chart is one thing, the course of a vessel is another. The Constitution may be right, the government wrong."* ~Frederick Douglass, Abolitionist, former slave.

On July 4, 1776, when the Continental Congress adopted the historic text drafted as provided by Thomas Jefferson, who as a slave owner, never intended it to mean individual equality.

The infamous Constitution's three-fifths clause, is more ridiculous nonsense written than any other clause, does not declare that a Black person is worth 60% of a White person, it states that for purposes of determining the number of representatives for each state in the House, and direct taxes, the government would count only three-fifths of the slaves, and not all of them, as the Southern states did not necessarily want to gain more seats, as had previously insisted.

And three-fifths and three-fifths does not equal six-fifth or one and one-sixth, which means non-cumulative.

The Three-Fifths Clause supposedly did not directly affect the rights of slaves, but it clearly served as clear evidence of their inequality, denied voting rights, denied civil rights, and lack of representation.

Until the Constitution is excised of the Three-Fifths Clause, and its Fugitive Slave Clause, it will remain a racist document.

The 60,000 or so free Blacks in the North and the South were counted on par with Whites, but lacked representation, voting rights, and contrary to a popular misconception, the Constitution does not say that only White males who owned property could vote. The Constitution defers to the states to determine who shall be eligible to vote.

And the rights of Black citizens, and other minorities are suspended, denied, and made repudiated in many states with no overt federal assistance to correct the injustices.

The Constitution does not overtly mention Blacks, or Whites, and it doesn't mention slaves, or slavery. Throughout the document, slaves are referred to as persons to supposedly underscore their humanity. ~cf. Article I, Section 2, Clause 1.

*"To many people today, slavery means White people holding Black people in bondage. The vast millions of people around the world who were neither White nor Black, but who were either slaves or enslavers for centuries, fade out of this vision of slavery, as if they had never existed, even though they may well have outnumbered both Blacks and Whites. It has been estimated that there were more slaves in India than in the entire Western Hemisphere. China during the era of slavery has been described as 'One of the largest, and most comprehensive markets for the exchange of human beings in the world.' Slaves were a majority of the population in some of the cities in Southeast Asia. At some period or other in history, as John Stuart Mill pointed out, '... Almost every people, now civilized, have consisted, in majority, of slaves.'" ~Thomas Sowell, *Intellectuals and Society*.*

Some Black citizens were already voting in perhaps as many as ten states at the

time of the founding, which precise number is unclear, but Georgia, South Carolina, and Virginia explicitly restricted suffrage to Whites.

So strong, powerful, and tenacious is the Old Testament hold, which has taken the minds of Christendom, the Curse of Ham, Blackness, that it seems almost impossible to uproot it. In the Bible, it is an almost foregone conclusion, that the Negro race is an accursed race, weighing down, to the present day, beneath the burden of an ancestral malediction.

Belief in Noah's curse has not disappeared among White Christians, and plausibly Jewish, and Muslim Biblical Fundamentalists.

But, since the Bible is filled with numerous obscurities, ambiguities, contradictions, and highly distressing passages, there was a continuing need for traditions of explanation, interpretation, reinterpretation, and renditions by supposed Biblical experts, a problem later posed on a lesser scale by such documents as the U.S. Constitution.

According to an alternative Biblical theory, it was not Ham who was the ancestor of Blacks, but Adam's son Cain punished with a dark skin for killing Abel.

In Germany, the Biblical Cain became the accursed, wandering Jew, and the Gospels, especially John, provided enough Anti-Semitic vocabulary, and images, which were by no means reserved for any professing Christians.

In 1773 the poet Phyllis Wheatley wrote in one of the first books published by an African-American: *"Remember Christians, Negroes Black as Cain may be refined, and join the Angelic train."* ~cf. David Brion Davis, David M. Goldenberg, *Blacks: Damned by the Bible*, November 16, 2006 issue.

David M. Goldenberg traces the belief of Cain's change of skin color to a 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> century mistranslated Genesis 4:5 in an Armenian work in which Cain's Blackness is first discovered.

Biased Christian views have influenced many Presidents throughout history. Abraham Lincoln banished one of his critics in Congress, Mr. Clement L. Vallandigham of Ohio, and imprisoned members of the Maryland state legislature.

Biased Christian perspectives allowed our elected officials to pass laws giving favorable tax breaks to married couples. So much for Separation of Church and State. Separation of Church and State assumes a division of labor; The Church seldom doing its job, and the State seldom implementing, or enforcing its job.

The Church is not to maintain a standing army, and the state is not to engage in evangelism, administer the sacraments, or tell the masses what is good or bad. The state is to enforce the laws of the land. Nonetheless, both are regarded by Christians as being under God.

Biased Christian positions allow our elected representatives to over write doctors medical advice and women's rights to have, or not have babies.

*"I will say, then, that I am not, nor ever have been, in favor of bringing about in any way, the social, and political equality of the White, and Black races... I am as much as any other man in favor of having the superior position assigned to the White race."* ~Abraham Lincoln, 16<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.

Perhaps one of the greatest contemporary injustices exists today in our military branches. With a breakdown of all active duty commissioned officers: 73% White, 8% Black, 8% Hispanic, 6% Asian, 4% multiracial, and less than 1% Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, American Indian or Alaska Native, many minorities

have suffered discrimination.

A Defense Department report highlights disturbing examples of White Supremacy within the military, calling for changes in how the department screens recruits for possible ties to domestic extremism.

The report, which the Donald J Trump administration drafted before the January 6 riot at the U.S. Capitol, was sent to Congress in October, but has not been made public until now. ~Dan De Luce, *Pentagon Report Warns of Threat From White Supremacists Inside the Military*.

President Joe Biden warned that White Supremacy is the “*Most dangerous terrorist threat*” facing the United States, and members of the White Supremacist group *Patriot Front* marched on the National Mall. Republican Senator Tommy Tuberville of Alabama is now under fire for expressing support for White nationalists in the U.S. military. Sen. Tuberville is a strong supporter of Donald J Trump.

Alabama Sen. Tuberville defeated Democrat Doug Jones, who served in the Senate from 2018 to 2021, and was a U.S. attorney who successfully prosecuted two members of the Ku Klux Klan involved in the 1963 Birmingham, Alabama, church bombing that killed four Black girls.

According to the Military Code of Conduct any racial complaints must be registered via the chain of command, and to do otherwise invites a court martial, captain's mast, reduced evaluation marks, or other disciplinary actions.

Enlisted Minorities are often given glowing evaluation remarks culminating with the words, “*Recommended for Advancement*,” while their Caucasian counterparts are more likely given, “*Highly Recommended for Advancement*,” “*Recommended for Advancement Before All Others*,” or “*Recommended for Advancement Immediately*,” which can advance an individual over their higher test taking competition. Such is the tradition of the military in all branches. Minorities are supposed to ignore it when they are PNA'd, passed the exam, [*Passed but Not Advanced*], as their fellow less knowledgeable, less experienced comrades are promoted.

By brother, in the Marine Corps was recommended for five purple hearts from wounds during combat, received three, and two others not received. Whenever he took an exam he was given additional points for accommodations, but denied two that he earned and deserved.

One has only to look at the service records of enlistees, without regard to race to witness the injustices prevalent in the awarding of commendations.

In Vietnam, being a minority you received special privileges, not always volunteers, small guys preferred, being designated Point Man, or Tunnel Rat. Tunnels where booby traps, armed Viet Cong, huge bees, gigantic rats, centipedes, spiders, snakes, bats, fire ants, explosive devices, and tripwires used to release boxes of scorpions plagued these tunnels.

Life expectancy of a Tunnel Rat is measured in seconds, while the life expectancy of a Point Man exposed to trip wires, ambush, punji sticks, etc., was measured in minutes. ~cf. Peter Gorner, *Life of a Tunnel Rat: Fighting Fear in Nam*, *Chicago Tribune*, June 28, 1985.

And, what rewards did these brave men, brave soldiers, brave sailors, brave marines, receive upon their return to the states? Continued discrimination in employment and housing opportunities. Civil servant jobs still discriminating in city, county, state, and federal employment.

Look at the pictures on the walls; not only do you have to be White to gain employment in managerial jobs, you also had to have Blue eyes.

The Detroit NAACP's modest protest of 1962 made what seemed like massive changes in the nation's history textbooks, and it had wasted no time in doing so, *"By the late sixties,"* Frances FitzGerald reminds us, the *"General proposition"* that *"All texts"* had shortchanged minorities and had, *"Come to be a truism for the educational establishment."*

Biased Christian views have influenced many of our religiously biased elected officials, *"In God We Trust,"* first appears on the two-cent piece in 1864, and reappears on our paper currency in 1957. ~cf. Jeremiah 32:35, Ezekiel 18:21-25, Ephesians 5:2.

*"Without the existence of rebels, no society can progress."* ~Bertrand Russell.

Unsupported Christian views are inundated with Biblical myths, legends, and tales. *"This remarkable fact of legislative silence for the protection of slaves, can only be accounted for by supposing, what we of the South know to be true, that the relation of master and slave, which God ordained between the superior races of Shem, and Japheth, and the inferior race of Ham, was a relation that in the nature of things constituted the strongest guarantee, which can bind the superior to take care of the inferior man."* ~Stringfellow, 1861, p. 30.

*"The White man bore the name of Japheth in the Bible, and the Negro, that of Canaan, and that the Negro's servile nature was expressed in his Hebrew name."* ~Elliot, 1860, p. 883.

The Christian ministry has justified the ownership of Blacks for centuries via their so-called Prince of Peace, and Scriptures, *"It was in consequence of sin... That the first slave sentence of which we have any record was pronounced by Noah upon Canaan and his descendants."* ~Presbyterian Minister George D. Armstrong, *The Christian Doctrine of*, cf. Genesis 9:18-29.

The Biblical necessity for slavery is expressed, *"Whether we connect it with this ancient prophecy or not, it is simply a fact which no one can deny, that the Negro, to this day, is a servant of servants in our own midst... Slavery then is represented from the start as a punishment, and a curse, and is continued as such from generation to generation for these four thousand years, falling with special severity upon the African race, and involving the innocent with the guilty"* ~Schaff, 1861, pp. 6-7.

The Biblical authors, like shrewd attorney like to leave a back door open regarding their claims. Stating that all the Biblical prophecies are perfect doesn't mean that none of God's servants ever uttered imperfect prophecies, which is why Saint Paul insists that each prophecy must be evaluated. ~cf. I Corinthians 14:29.

Until Jesus returns, our knowing is limited and partial. ~cf. I Corinthians 9-12, Deuteronomy 18.

The big lie. Even if a Black person, Native American, or Minority, converts to Christianity he/she will never be White, nor will they ever enjoy the self-proclaimed benefits of their lighter skinned contemporaries. This comes across subtly in the way one Spiritualizes slavery is presented as the epitome of sin: *"Sin is the first, and worst kind of slavery, and the fruitful source of every other intellectual, moral, and physical degradation. In this sense every sinner is a slave to his own appetites, and passions, and can only attain to true freedom by the Christian Salvation."* ~Schaff 1861, p. 3.

The moral power of Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, and Pastor Martin Luther King Jr.'s appeals consisted in their urging Whites to extend to Blacks the

promise found in our Founding principles.

During the constitutional convention, *"Wrong to admit in the Constitution the idea that there could be property in men."* ~James Madison, hypocritical 4<sup>th</sup> President of the U.S. cf. *Federalist Papers*.

The men who wrote the Federalist Papers, between 1787-1789, aimed to protect the White privileged owners of wealth, and property, who profited from the capitalist system, while Karl Marx who was politically active in Europe from 1840, to his death in 1883, whose purpose was to abolish a corrupt misrepresented system by which a minority profited while most suffered, misery, wretchedness, and poverty inflicted on them by that unjust system.

Thomas Jefferson wrote of the profound effects that American Christian Church Corruptions had on him, *"I have read his Corruptions of Christianity, and Early Opinions of Jesus, over and over again, and I rest on them... As the basis of my own faith. These writings have never been answered."* ~Thomas Jefferson, Qtd. in Gibbs, p. 249.

Protecting White properties, not rights? A self proclaimed deeply religious Christian, *"James Madison obliquely distanced himself from the [Constitution] three-fifths clause by saying that one had to admit that slaves were, irrefutably, both people, and property. He actually argued that the three-fifths clause was a good example of how the Constitution would lead to good government by protecting property."* ~Waldstreicher, p. 3.

However, James Madison's stance on the three-fifths clause is strongly in his hypocritical favor, because it protects the ownership of slaves, and considered slaves to be chattel, property.

The Constitution circumambulates as it refers to slaves using three different formulations, *"Other persons,"* Article I, Section 2, Clause 3, *"Such persons as any of the states now existing shall think proper to admit,"* Article I, Section 9, Clause 1, and a *"Person held to service or labor in one state, under the laws thereof,"* Article IV, Section 2, Clause 3.

Though it mimics the U.S. Constitution, the Confederate Constitution of 1861 is replete with references to, *"The institution of Negro slavery," "Negroes of the African race,"* and *"Negro slaves."*

The Confederate Constitution specifically forbids the Confederate Congress from passing any *"Law denying, or impairing the right of property in Negro slaves."*

*"Because finally, the equal right of every citizen to the free exercise of his religion according to the dictates of conscience is held by the same tenure with all our other rights. If we recur to its origin, it is equally the gift of nature; If we weigh its importance, it cannot be less dear to us; If we consult the Declaration of Rights, which pertain to the good people of Virginia, as the basic, and foundation of government, it is enumerated with equal solemnity, or rather studied emphasis."* ~James Madison, Section 15 of A Memorial and Remonstrance, June 20, 1785, frequently misquoted to imply religion as the basis of government.

Ironically, many Americans who are resolutely opposed to racism unwittingly agreed with Chief Justice Roger Taney's claim in *Dred Scott v. Sandford*, 1857, the Founders' Constitution regarding Blacks as mere chattel, physical property, *"So far inferior that they had no rights, which the White man was bound to respect, and that the Negro might justly and lawfully be reduced to slavery for his benefit."*

Neither *"Women"* nor *"Sex"* are words that appear anywhere in the Constitution,

revealing the boundary of the Founding Fathers' restricted understanding of women as having rights, or being equal citizens.

The 1866 Act states that, *"All persons born in the United States,"* except, of course Native Indigenous groups, were *"Hereby declared to be citizens of the United States,"* and that, *"Such citizens of every race and color... Shall have the same right... As is enjoyed by White citizens."*

Two years later, in 1868, these rights were purportedly further protected by the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which addressed citizenship and guaranteed all citizens equal protection under the law, which 1866 Act then reversed the 1857 Supreme Court ruling in the Dred Scott v. Sanford case, which held that because of their foreign ancestry, native-born, free African Americans were not U.S. citizens and thus had no rights to sue in American courts.

The Act sought to override the infamous Black Codes enacted in White Supremacist Southern states, which restricted the freedom, voting, and civil rights of African Americans and allowed racially discriminatory practices such as convict leasing, cheap, sometimes free labor for White businessmen.

The Constitution was written by, and for White men, men with financial means, which reserved its principle of equal justice under law for the sole benefit of the authors, and their biased privileged peers, which continues into the 21<sup>st</sup> century in their denial of women's rights upon pregnancy, making men their overseers during their pregnancy, anonymous men, politicians in control over their bodies, and not doctors. Equality means elevating oppressed women the same rights, medical benefits, and protections as the most privileged.

*"Thus, the thing is hid away, in the Constitution, just as an afflicted man hides away a wen [cyst] or a cancer, which he dares not cut out at once, lest he bleed to death."* ~Abraham Lincoln.

While slavery, and segregation, have supposedly ended, the minority community continues to struggle against racist oppression as it confronts continued structural racism.

In this view, the worst Supreme Court case decision in American history was accepted as actually correctly decided.

The argument that the Constitution is racist suffers from one fatal flaw: The concept of race does not exist in the Constitution, although racism has been overtly practiced all across the nation with little or no objections from the government.

The first references to *"Race,"* and *"Color"* occur in the 1787 Constitution is in the 15<sup>th</sup> Amendment's guarantee of the right to vote, is ratified in 1870, eighty-three years later, a full seventy-eight years after the Civil War in which many Negroes gave their lives for a country that did not reciprocate their sacrifices.

God's Will? Small shares of White Evangelicals, and Black Protestants believe that God tipped the election outcome based on policy considerations, though they may differ about God's preference.

Among White evangelical Protestants, 11% say God chose Donald J Trump, but not Obama because God favored Donald J Trump's policies, while only 2% say God favored Obama on policy grounds, but not Donald J Trump.

Among Black Protestants, 12% say Obama's election, but not Donald J Trump's, reflects a Divine endorsement of his policies, while only 4% say this about Trump, but not Obama. ~Gregory A. Smith, *About a Third in U.S. see God's Hand in Presidential Elections,*

*but Fewer Say God Picks Winners Based on Policies.*

Kris Vallotton was far from being the only Christian leader claiming, before the election, that the Great Almighty God had rigged the outcome in favor of Donald J Trump. J. Gordon Melton, religion professor at Baylor University, and compiler of the respected *Encyclopedia of American Religions*, counted at least forty influential Christian prophets who foretold a Donald J Trump Presidential triumph, but you don't hear about it on mass media. Religion allows cretins to believe their faith does the right thing, and it is their lack of faith, which cause the event not to occur. ~cf. Jonathan Merritt, news article, *Daily Beast*.

Why is Donald J Trump so popular among the Christian Churches? Because Trump promised them continued tax exemptions, and no enforcement of the Johnson Act, which forbids religious institutions from political involvement, political preaching, or becoming political donors.

If the Christian Churches want to donate, be politically involved, which has nothing to do with religious beliefs, they should pay taxes like every law abiding citizen does.

Ignore the Johnson Act? In 2019, more than two decades after eliminating the high-level position needed to sign off on any action against deceptive Churches, the IRS designated the commissioner of the agency's tax-exempt and government entities division as the *"Appropriate high-level Treasury official"* with the power to initiate a Church audit.

But the IRS has continues to ignore their rules, regulations, duties and obligations, auditing a higher % of minorities and low income individuals rather than go after larger tax evading culprits.

President Donald J Trump's opposition to any law banning political activity by non-profits *"Has given some politically-minded Christian Evangelical leaders a sense that the Johnson Amendment just isn't really an issue anymore, and that they can go ahead and campaign for or against candidates or positions from the pulpit."* ~David Brockman, a scholar in religion and public policy, Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University.

An IRS committee investigating scores of Christian churches, including eighty for endorsing political candidates from the pulpit, according to documented IRS reports, did not revoke the tax-exempt status of any.

The courts have found that the IRS has not been following its own rules for a decade because it was tasked with notifying Churches of their legal rights before any pending audits and was required to have an appropriately high-level official sign off on them.

The federal revenue acts of 1909, 1913, and 1917 exempted non-profits from the corporate excise, and income taxes, and at the same time allowed people to deduct charitable contributions from their incomes.

The cost of the federal income tax exemptions for Christian Churches, and other so-called exempt religious organizations is \$2.4 billion/year, plus, and the Christian ministry avails of these tax loop holes to declare large portions of the million dollar estates, tax exempt, as well as their private jets, and limousines.

As President, Donald J Trump tried unsuccessfully to remove restrictions on Church politicking through a 2017 Executive Order, which was largely symbolic, because it merely ordered the government not to punish Churches differently than it would any other non-profit organization, according to a legal filing by the Justice Department. ~cf. Jeremy Schwartz, *The Texas Tribune*, October 30, 2022.

The 2023 Texas Legislature Republican controlled Senate passed a bill that will potentially allow them to redo any elections in Harris County if they believe there is *“Good cause.”* According to the legislation this would only be enforced in counties with more than 2.7 million population.

Donald J Trump appointed Catholic Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court who took the oath of office, of office: *“I do solemnly swear, or affirm, that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States.”*

Yet, only weeks later Justice Barrett claims, *“The Bible should be the Law of the land,”* contradicting her oath of office.

Does Catholic Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett really believe that Americans want Christianity and their Bible dictating our laws? ~cf. Ezekiel 5:10, Nahum 3:10, Jeremiah 19:9, Numbers 31:15-18, Deuteronomy 21:21, Deuteronomy 22:13-21, Deuteronomy 25:11-12, Deuteronomy 28:23, Leviticus 20:9, Deuteronomy 32:24, Ezekiel 5:10, Joshua 10:28-39, II Kings 6:29, Leviticus 10:3, Psalms 137:9, Lamentations 4:4, Lamentations 4:10, Matthew 18:6, Revelation 2:23.

The New Testament grants us a second chance with God to make himself clear regarding abortions. Jesus had some hefty positions regarding marriage, and sex, considering the Jewish divorce laws too lenient, disapproving of stoning of adulteresses, and not shrinking away from healing a woman who had *“An issue,”* i.e., vaginal bleeding, that had lasted twelve years, which would have made her an outcast among her fellow Jews. ~cf. Matthew 9:20-22, Mark 5:24-34, Luke 8:42-48, and Luke 8:45-48, Luke 9:1-2

On abortion and LGBTQ rights, the political and judicial debate has now become a national debacle by judicial fiat. Religious motives permeating our court systems are seldom excluded from the debate not because they are not open or accessible to reason, but due to judicial ipse dixit, i.e., dogmatic and unproven devoutly believe religious statements.

Catholic appointed Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett wants the Bible to be the Law of the Land. Really? *“If a man takes a wife and, after sleeping with her, dislikes her, and slanders her, and gives her a bad name, saying, ‘I married this woman, but when I approached her, I did not find proof of her virginity’... If the charge is true, and no proof of the young woman’s virginity can be found, she shall be brought to the door of her father’s house, and there the men of her town shall stone her to death.”* ~Deuteronomy 22:13-21.

Justice Amy Coney Barrett reportedly has described herself as a devout, and *“Faithful Catholic,”* while Justice Kavanaugh said he was an active Catholic in his confirmation hearing; Gorsuch and his wife were active members of an Episcopal Church in Colorado before his confirmation, and Justice Clarence Thomas was a Catholic seminarian earlier in his life. Even Supreme Court Justices get caught up in Spiritual prisons, the cerebral incarceration known as religion.

Supreme Court Justice Alito has defended his spurious acceptance of hundreds of thousands of dollars of gifts, trips, etc., from a billionaire who has had nearly a dozen cases brought before him, and never recused himself. Alito wrote in an op-ed for The Wall Street Journal... Alito also swatted away concerns over the private plane ride, writing that Paul Singer *“Allowed me to occupy what would have otherwise been an unoccupied seat.”* ~Eric Brazail, *Politico*.

Billionaire Mr. Paul Singer’s companies have appeared before the Supreme Court



in a multi-billion dollar lawsuit against the Argentine government in which he easily won the case, netting him \$2.4 billion. Recusal is required when, *"An unbiased and reasonable person who is aware of all relevant facts would doubt that the justice could fairly discharge his or her duties,"* he wrote, quoting the court's recently adopted statement of ethics and principles. *"No such person,"* he concluded, *"Would think that my relationship with Mr. Paul Singer meets that standard."* ~Jesse Wegman, *New York Times, Opinion*, June 22, 2023.

Corruption is not limited to the highest court in our land, but throughout our government officials who believe they have special privileges due to their status. And our elected officials in Washington refuse to acknowledge it, preferring to look the other way, hoping the public will ignore it.

Recent revelations show a credit card belonging to Representative Majorie Taylor Greene's, Republican from Georgia's, campaign was used to fund a project for another potential Republican candidate.

There is no honor among thieves, even in the highest court in the land and among elected officials. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas has been accused of violating the Ethics in Government Act, which carries a punishment of a year in prison, or a fine if violated, which Supreme Court Justice Roberts is attempting to block; rogues in robes, no responsibility, no accountability.

As it now stands in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, corporate leaders are way ahead in the financial world due to their monetary influence over elected officials who write our laws, and the judicial administrators who interpret them.

Billionaire Harlan Crow subsidized numerous luxury vacations for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas and his wife, Ginni, none of which appear on the Justices' income tax declaration, including an island hopping junket in Indonesia that ProPublica valued at \$500,000. Rank certainly has its privileges.

The question is why is our legislative branch allowing this misconduct from the highest court in the land? The answer is non-monitored access to money. Non accountability.

When Justice Elena Kagan warned such conservative decisions were undermining American public confidence, Chief Justice John Roberts fired back, saying that, *"Simply because people disagree with an opinion is not a basis for questioning the legitimacy of the court."* Yet, no investigation was recommended. Rogues in robes support each other.

Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens turned over newly released documents from the files of a late justice, which reveal the Supreme Court was concerned with how to avoid appearing political when it ruled unanimously against President Bill Clinton's attempts to avoid lawsuits in the White House twenty-five years ago.

The newly released documents, 2023, cover several issues, such as the highly disputed 2000 presidential election, recount, and eventual victory of George W. Bush over his Democratic opponent Al Gore with the help of a favorable decision by the Supreme Court along party lines, not necessarily judicial lines. The papers also reveal the high court's concerted attempts to appear non-partisan in the *"Clinton v. Jones"* case, which was decided in 1997.

The Rev. Rob Schenck says he orchestrated the campaign, which purchased a building across from the Supreme Court in order to be close to the Court Justices, and their employees, describing the recruiting of wealthy, like minded

donors to join the Supreme Court Historical Society, which would allow contributors to attend social events whereby they could legally mingle with the Court Justices. He also says he picked loyal donors to befriend certain justices. If Supreme Court Justices want to get involved in politics, and not the law, they should run for public office, and be removed from the court system supposedly representing America. A corrupt court system represents a corrupt society, and not the people.

Supreme Court Justices claim to be honest, religious, and fair. Both Justices Gorsuch and Kavanaugh have enjoyed handsomely paid two-week junkets in Europe, with all costs covered, and not claimed on their income tax statements.

~cf. Pema Levy, *The Dobbs Leak Didn't Wreck the Supreme Court the Justices' Scandals Did*.

The Wall Street Journal, 2023, reports Senators Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, and Angus King, I-Maine, will introduce the first bipartisan bill as an the issue, which will require the Supreme Court to create its own code of ethics and appoint an official tasked with enforcing the code, essentially allowing the Court to police itself, which is doubtful, since it hasn't done a good job so far.

Lower court judges are held accountable to a Code of Ethics, but not the Supreme Court Justices, who are exempt.

The Supreme Court has always shunned outside accountability, including any code of ethics for any of the justices. So after the Dobbs leak, Chief Justice Roberts ordered an internal investigation. When that report came out in January, it only added to the evidence that the court is not willing or able to police itself, and not because it failed to identify the individual who leaked their decision.

*"To whatever extent the Court does not subject itself to the highest possible professional and ethical standards, or only grudgingly does so, to an even greater extent does it depreciate not only its power to preserve, protect, and defend the institution of the Supreme Court, it also depreciates its power to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States."* ~J. Michael Luttig, retired federal judge.

Legal scholars and the American Bar Association have called for the Supreme Court to impose a code of ethics, amid Clarence Thomas' controversies involving Crow and his wife's political activism, which have also sparked calls for him to be impeached or resign. ~Forbes.

How often have you heard the words, *"For the general welfare," "For national defense,"* or *"Promoting national prosperity,"* etc.?

Minorities have fought for the defense of their country in all the wars, and returned to continual poverty, discrimination, and hostilities in schools, government, and the military.

Will giving states more rights give them further rights to discriminate while the Supreme Court Justices take a continued lackadaisical attitude toward Constitutional law enforcement or of equality?

Discrimination has existed for too long in our government sector, as well as our private sector, and justice departments are not exempt. In the 20<sup>th</sup> century, in Midland, Texas, 1988, a federal judge accused FBI agents of misusing a federal grand jury subpoena to retaliate against a Hispanic agent who filed a successful discrimination lawsuit January 1987, against the bureau.

In a 17-page memorandum, U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton ruled that FBI agents requested a grand jury subpoena during an internal investigation of agent Bernardo Perez after he, and other Hispanic agents sued the bureau for

discriminatory practicesh hence, there was no legitimate purpose for the FBI subpoena, the judge stated. ~Associated Press, AP.

In the 21st century, a Washington federal judge approved a sweeping settlement in a ten year-old lawsuit between the FBI and some 500 current, and former agents, who contend they were systematically discriminated against because they are Black. The agreement requires the FBI to overhaul its promotion, evaluation, and disciplinary procedures by 2004 to address the concerns of African American agents.

In El Paso Texas, the FBI suffered a major embarrassment when U.S. District Judge Lucius D. Bunton ruled that hundreds of Latino FBI agents have been discriminated against, and regularly assigned to demeaning duties commonly known as the *"Taco Circuit."* Although the class-action suit was decided in El Paso, its origins were in Los Angeles, where Perez filed his first discrimination complaint in 1983 during a prolonged dispute with then agent-in-charge Richard T. Bretzing.

Perez was Bretzing's top assistant for almost two years, and the two men clashed soon after their arrival in Los Angeles in 1982.

Bretzing viewed Perez as unqualified for a top job in a large FBI office, and Perez saw Bretzing, a Mormon Bishop, as a bigot committed to boosting the careers of fellow Mormons, who claim to be good Christians, over Non-Mormons. During promotion interviews Mormons would give the *"Secret"* hand shake to let their predominantly White interviewers know they belonged to the LDS.

The Los Angeles feud between the men split the FBI's Los Angeles office during the early 1980's and eventually erupted publicly after the 1984 espionage arrest of former FBI agent Richard W. Miller, an excommunicated Mormon who was placed on the FBI's Soviet counterintelligence squad ahead of a Latino agent.

Religious preferences within the bureau? After Miller's arrest, Perez amended his complaint against Bretzing to charge religious, as well as racial discrimination, claiming that a *"Mormon Mafia"* within the FBI's Los Angeles office also systematically discriminated against Roman Catholics. ~J. Michael Kennedy, William Overend, October 1, 1988, *FBI Discriminated Against Latino Agents, Judge Rules.*

These discriminatory practices go all the way back *"... To FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover,"* who headed the FBI for nearly half a century until 1972, Shaffer said.

*"White people promoted people who were White, who promoted people who were White, and so on... Hopefully, this type of behavior will now be put behind us."* ~Eric Lichtblau, *FBI Settles Black Agents' Discrimination Lawsuit*, May 1, 2001.

On health and welfare, our federal government has attempted to implement another part of the Affordable care Act [ACA] by means of conditional preemption: *"If a state fails to establish a healthcare exchange, the federal government will do so. That arrangement, too, is a consequence of the anti-commandeering rule: Congress may not tell a state to create a healthcare exchange."*

Unfortunately, our medical providers have seen fit to put profits over healthcare, which is how the CEO's of major health care providers make salaries in the millions, plus stock benefits, and magnificent retirement benefits, not by providing services, but by denying services whenever possible.

Columbia Law School students met with Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh in Washington, D.C., February 23, 2023, accusing Justice Kavanaugh of

attempting to normalize *“White supremacist, patriarchal violence in the law, legal education, and the everyday fabric of U.S. society.”*

What's happening in on our not so hallowed halls of justice? The Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., invited Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts to testify before the panel about ethics reform of the court. Justice Thomas has lied for nearly two decades in failing to fully disclose luxury trips gifted to him by billionaire Harlan Crow.

Did Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts have knowledge about Justice Clarence Thomas that have reignited calls for the Supreme Court to better police their conduct, and is the Court capable of policing itself? I doubt it! Secrecy is their domain.

Each Supreme Court Justice gets to decide when to recuse himself, or herself, from a case if there is any conflict, and no internal process presently exists to sanction a justice's failure to sit out a case if a conflict exists.

When Justice Thomas took to stage to complain about the Dobbs leak, he was already facing questions about his own personal conflicting ethical choices, but his conservative Supreme Court Justice hosts were too polite to ask about them, hence let him commit a crime without recourse.

Ahead of the leak, the public learned that Mrs. Ginni Thomas, the Supreme Court Justice's wife, was involved in efforts to overturn the 2020 election, including texting with Donald J Trump's chief of staff, Mark Meadows, pressuring the president to stay in office.

Despite Mrs. Ginni Thomas, personal conflicting involvement, Court Justice Thomas took part in a case deciding whether the Congressional committee investigating January 6 could obtain Donald J Trump White House records, and was the lone justice to say the records should be withheld, which role was a clear conflict of interest as Mrs. Ginni Thomas' communications could have been among the evidentiary documents submitted.

When recusal occurs, rarely is a reason ever made public. Justice Thomas did not recuse himself from cases involving Donald J Trump's 2020 election, and January 6, 2021, rampage at the Capitol, although a lack of transparency was eventually revealed when his wife, Ginni, was discovered strategizing with the Donald J Trump White House to reverse the election results.

Ms. Ginni Thomas pleaded with then-Trump White House chief of staff Mark Meadows to fight to overturn the election results.

Ginni Thomas acknowledged attending the Trump rally on January 6th before Trump demonstrators marched toward the U.S. Capitol, but stated she had gone home early, and was not one of the Capitol rioters.

The Thomas invitation comes in the wake of a series of irregularities regarding Supreme Justice Clarence Thomas receiving luxurious trips over the years, purchase and renovation of his mother's house and her continued living in it supported by a wealthy Republican donor. Thomas for years failed to disclose those trips gifted to him by Harlan Crow.

A Republican cover-up? Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts was asked whether he had any concerns about Thomas accepting gifts from Crow that were never disclosed. House Speaker McCarthy replied, *“No, not at all.”*

Do you believe it when Justice Roberts says the justices do not *“Sit in judgment”* of individual decisions whether to recuse in a case?

Are the Christian Churches now dictating our laws in violation of the Constitution? President Donald J Trump hired birth control opponent Katy Tolento as his domestic policy counsel regarding American health care. Katy Tolento believes that birth control causes miscarriages, and abortions, and she feels it limits a woman's ability to have children.

Christians have always condemned contraceptive sex. Both forms of birth prevention are mentioned in the Bible, coitus interruptus, and sterilization, are condemned without exception. ~cf. Genesis 38:9-10, Deuteronomy 23:1.

*"More and more white evangelical Christians are now talking about the U.S. as a Christian nation in ways that verge on or outright embrace Christian nationalism; the idea that the U.S. is a Christian Nation, and its laws should be rooted in the Bible."* ~Ashley Lopez.

Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas suggested in a statement after Roe v. Wade was overturned, that the Supreme Court should consider its previous rulings that provide access to contraceptives, such as condoms and birth control.

*"The pattern among Protestants, and Catholics, reflects the general pattern in the U.S., the more religious the individual, the more likely that individual is to say that abortion should be illegal in all circumstances."* ~Gallup Senior Scientist Frank Newport.

Bishop Tertullian, a 3<sup>rd</sup> century Christian theologian, contended that abortion should be conducted only in situations in which irregular positioning of the fetus in the womb would risk the life of the pregnant woman. *"Quickenings,"* was a term often used interchangeably with *"Ensoulement,"* or *"Animation,"* was associated with the first movement of the fetus in utero.

This movement is generally felt by women sometime in the third to fifth month of pregnancy. Midwives performing abortions were accused of committing witchcraft in *Malleus Maleficarum, The Hammer of Witches*, was published in 1487 as a witch hunting manual in Germany.

*"And therefore the following question may be very carefully inquired into and discussed by learned men, though I do not know whether it is in man's power to resolve it: At what time the infant begins to live in the womb: Whether life exists in a latent form before it manifests itself in the motions of the living being. To deny that the young who are cut out limb by limb from the womb, lest if they were left there dead the mother should die too, have never been alive, seems too audacious."* ~Carla Spivack, 2007, *To Bring Down the Flowers: The Cultural Context of Abortion Law in Early Modern England. William and Mary Journal of Women and the Law*. 14: 107-151.

The court case Roe v. Wade upset has also led to discussions of potentially banning and restricting access to birth control methods such as IUD's [*Intra-Uterine Devices*].

Birth control is a preventative measure, and not post-conception. However, post-conception methods such as Plan B might be targeted by religious state leaders as some states have already restricted access to the *"Morning After"* *"Mourning After,"* pills.

Vice Pres. Mike Pence cast the tie-breaking vote to defund Planned Parenthood, which means access to birth control options will need state-funded support to ensure women, and men, have access, more than ever before.

Only Thirteen states that are strengthening current laws and creating new bills on birth control policy to protect free access: In Alaska, a bill is in the works that will allow women to get free birth control for up to a year without a visit to their

doctor for a new prescription.

In 2016, Senate Minority Leader Berta Gardner, an Anchorage Democrat, introduced a bill, SB 156, in Alaska, which is now in the hands of Labor and Commerce. This bill will allow women to receive three month's worth of birth control the first time it's prescribed, then a year's worth of birth control thereafter.

Insurance companies will not be allowed to refuse reimbursement even if the type of birth control being used changes. However, if a business has strong religious objections, they might be exempted. The bill also covers birth control for men in the form of a vasectomy.

In California, women are able to get free birth control.

In 2016, California implemented a new law that allows women to get free birth control without a prescription, but cooperation from some pharmacists has become an issue. This has posed a burden for some women who have tried to get birth control under the protection of the new law.

In Vermont, free birth control options include vasectomy procedures, and Plan B does not require a prescription.

Vermont is included in the list of three states that provide free birth control to men in the form of vasectomy procedures.

In Vermont, women are able to get Plan B, a form of emergency contraception, also known as the "*Morning After Pill, or Plan B*," without a prescription if she is 18 years old or older.

4. Illinois currently has the most comprehensive birth control laws in the country. When Gov. Bruce Rauner signed House Bill 5576, birth control rights protected under the Affordable Health Care Act expanded.

The State Journal-Register reports, "*HB 5576 requires that all of those options be covered without co-payments or deductibles, at least for women covered through health plans regulated by the state and plans that cover state employees, retirees, and their dependents.*"

Women can request a twelve month supply of birth control at one time. The state is working toward providing free vasectomy procedures to men as well.

Maryland offers free birth control for both men, and women.

Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan (R) signed The Contraception Equity Act that will start in 2018. The law requires insurance companies to provide no-cost birth control to both men and women.

From vasectomies to the Morning After Pill, individuals are able to obtain birth control with no out-of-pocket expense.

Birth control pills can be obtained for six months at a time, and there are no pre-authorization requirements for long-term birth control options like the IUD. These birth control laws apply only to insurance companies regulated by Maryland.

Women in Colorado can obtain oral contraceptives from their pharmacists.

Colorado has provided free birth control to residents for the past five years with good outcomes. For up to three years, women will be able to get birth control directly from a pharmacist.

Women are required to complete a short screening to make sure that they are not already pregnant, and free of any medical conditions that prevent them from safely taking oral contraceptives.

Under Medicaid, Colorado even covers vasectomies for men through their Health First Colorado program.

Delaware will soon offer women same-day birth control access for women.

Facing an unplanned pregnancy rate of 57 percent, Delaware's Governor Jack Markell decided to improve birth control access for women.

The new law, Delaware CAN [Contraceptive Access Now] will open access to women through long-acting reversible contraceptives free of charge.

Funding will come from a combination of private sources and the state Division of Public Health.

Women in Hawaii can obtain birth control by speaking to a health-care provider via video call.

In mid-2016, Hawaii changed its birth control laws to open up access. Although there is a cost to see a health-care provider, and birth control isn't free, women can get up to a twelve month's supply of contraceptives.

In addition to screenings for birth control, women can keep their health care provider up-to-date by sending medical information, such as blood pressure readings, online to monitor birth control side effects.

Nevada is working to change how women have access to birth control and increase prescription time without a follow-up visit with their doctor.

Lawmakers in Nevada are promoting a new bill to allow women access to birth control for up to 12 months without having to see a doctor again.

They are also working on making it more affordable by ensuring insurers provide contraceptives without charge, regardless of religious objections.

Birth-control laws in New Jersey now allow pharmacists to prescribe birth control when needed, even to minors.

Woman Blasts '*Negligent*' Male Doctor After Her Switch To A Female Doctor Led To A Vital Discovery About Her Health

A Man Lied To His Wife About Taking Measures To Prevent Having More Kids, Now She's Pregnant and He Doesn't Know What To Do

The New Jersey law on birth control access was passed in the summer of 2016, and like California, pharmacists need to go through a training on how to screen patients first. There's some question as to how pharmacists should charge for screenings.

Pharmacists will not only be allowed to administer any contraceptives whatsoever, but they will also be permitted to deny them.

In New Mexico, the provisions of birth control under Obamacare are now state law.

In anticipation that health care would be deferred to the states, New Mexico passed a bill similar to what was covered under Obamacare, but with a few extra protections extended to men.

Now, men can get vasectomies at no cost, and women can get up to one-year of oral contraceptives at a time.

New York prepared to protect birth control access by creating new laws to ensure it remains free.

Under the pressure of ACHA Reform, New York attorney general Eric T. Schneiderman took action and introduced The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act of 2017.

This act opens up birth control to include male contraception and protects

women's right to free birth control under state law. The state also plans to strengthen its sex ed programs in schools for youth.

Oregon may soon require health insurers to cover most services related to state reproductive health. ~Jeena French, March 31, 2017.

In 2022, the Missouri legislature held a discussion on a bill attempting to block Medicaid funding for Plan B pills, and IUD's.

Nine states have already adopted restrictions on emergency contraceptives. Arkansas, and North Carolina, have already restricted access to emergency contraceptives from contraceptive coverage mandates.

Will abstinence become the law of the land for couples who do not wish to have children? *"When a man's mind is attracted to these pleasures by lawless desire, he should not regard himself as fitted to join in Christian worship until these heated desires cool in the mind, and he has ceased to labor under wrongful passions."* ~Pope Gregory speaking on married couples who unite sexually [*only to have children*], and even then they must not enjoy it!

It pays to know people in high places, *"In other cities, the right to commit fornication with impunity for a lifetime could be obtained by the payment of a quarter cask of wine to the Bishop's officer, who drew this privilege from the 'Canon De Dilectissimis' in the Decretals of the Pope."* ~Cesare Lombroso, *Crime: Its Causes and Remedies*. cf. I Corinthians 9:18

The 13<sup>th</sup> century, Saint Thomas Aquinas begins his theological teachings, and declares that God created sex organs exclusively for reproduction, sex... If one is married, it is alright to have connubial relations, but not if you enjoy it, and homosexual acts are considered *"Unnatural,"* and heretical.

Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas called for overturning the Constitutional rights the court had affirmed for access to contraceptives and LGBTQ rights in an opinion concurring with the majority decision to overturn Roe v. Wade, arguing that the Constitution's Due Process Clause does not secure a right to an abortion, or any other substantive rights, or birth control, and urged the court to apply that reasoning to other landmark cases. ~Harper Neidig, *The Hill* via *Nexstar Media Wire*, June 24, 2022, *Thomas Calls For Overturning Precedents On Contraceptives, LGBTQ Rights*.

The Guttmacher Institute now ranks twenty-seven states as either *"Hostile"* or *"Extremely hostile"* to abortion.

Some states deny abortion, yet pass no laws helping or assisting the pregnant female with either pre-natal care, or after pregnancy help. In some states if woman is raped not only can she not have an abortion, but her rapist is entitled to visitation rights, which adds further insult to injury.

Supreme Court Justice Thomas mentioned three landmark cases, decisions establishing certain Constitutional rights. In *Griswold v. Connecticut*, the court ruled in 1965 that married couples have a right to access contraceptives.

In 2003, the court held that in *Lawrence v. Texas* that states could not outlaw consensual gay sex, and the court's 2015 decision in *Obergefell v. Hodges* established a Constitutional right to same-sex marriage.

Donald J Trump's new appointee, Justice Amy Coney Barrett, took an oath to protect the Constitution, and then wrote that, *"... Catholic judges are obliged... To adhere to their Church's teaching on moral matters,"* and then she gave a commencement address to Notre Dame College law graduates advising that a *"Legal career is but a means to an end, and... That end is building the Kingdom of God."*



Are True Christians to continue ignoring the molestation of the flock, which occur daily all over the world? The 11<sup>th</sup> century, Saint Peter Damien, 1007-1072 C.E., was the fiercest censor of his age, as he unrolls a frightful picture of the decay of clerical morality in the lurid pages of his '*Book of Gomorrah*,' which tells of the pedophile priests.

*"A cleric, or monk, who seduces youths, or young boys, or is found kissing, or in any other impure situations is to be publicly flogged,"* Saint Damien states, but the Pope will ignore his requests to purify the ranks of the clerics, and from its inception, rooted heavily in corrupt Roman politics, the Vatican continues onward in its ethically ambiguous malevolent path 850 years later, into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, protecting its own.

What type of naive, gullible, credulous individual will we produce by banning books the status quo does not like? Will these adults have a full grasp of reality, truth in economics, history, military, or religion? Does book banning, restrictions, literary restraints, and censorship contribute to a better society?

To listen, and believe the Christian leadership, one would be persuaded to believe, *"... It was the Catholic Church that freed the world from immorality."*

Other falsely reported parts of the piece argue that, *"It is because the world is rejecting the Church that it has once again sunk into the mire from which it was rescued."* ~Mgr Clá Dias, João Scognamiglio Clá Dias who has published seven volumes in defense of his faith.

These strong religious perspectives on our Constitution represent a marked departure from the traditional judicial conservatism on the Supreme Court. In *Zuni Public School Dist. No. 89 v. Department of Education*, Justice Antonin Scalia, in 2007, heavily criticized the Court's 1892 declaration in *Holy Trinity v. United States*, that the historical record of America demonstrated that the United States *"Is a Christian nation."* The Court has since *"Wisely retreated from"* that position, he retorted.

America; a Christian Nation? *"Gentlemen, we are not, nor have we ever been, a Christian nation... The United States is not a Christian nation any more than it is a Jewish or Mohammedan nation."* ~John Adams, 2<sup>nd</sup> U.S. President, cf. Mark 7:19 vs. Mark 11:17, Matthew 10:5-6, Matthew 28:18-20.

The latest estimate from over 15,000 Gallup interviews conducted from January 2021 through March of this year reveals that about 22% of the adult population identifies as Catholic, as opposed to the 67% Catholic representation on the Supreme Court [*the Supreme Court consists of six Catholics, two Protestants, and one Jew*].

A Supreme Court Justice claims, *"The problem that looms is not just indifference to religion. It's not just ignorance about religion. There's also growing hostility to religion, or at least the traditional religious beliefs, that are contrary to the new moral code that is ascendant in some sectors."* ~Justice Samuel Alito.

A profound lie as only a few weeks later declared on national mass media that the Bible should be the law of the land, and no one called for expulsion.

Although the Reconstruction amendments were designed to be able to take away slavery legally, the abolition of slavery did not mean that slavery was no longer practiced in America. The official abolition of slavery did not change how Whites have suppressed Blacks into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Slaveholders in the racist South argued that the Constitution was indeed pro-slavery, while on the other side, Northern Republicans, and Abolitionists, denied

the Constitution being pro-slavery. Presidential candidate Bernie Sanders has been quoted saying that the United States was founded on racist principles, and while this statement is indeed true, it does not mean that everything in the Constitution was created to racially divide.

It is undeniable that slavery was already widespread throughout early American history and White society considered themselves superior to Blacks.

It is ironic that saying America was founded on freedom, equality, and liberty, and while this may be true for White society, it was a bold and pretentious lie to others, i.e., minorities, and especially to early slaves, and sometimes Native Americans who were treated as chattel, property.

Religious freedom or a Christian Nation? *"... Freedom arises from the multiplicity of sects, which pervades America, and which is the best, and only security for religious liberty in any society. For where there is such a variety of sects, there cannot be a majority of any one sect to oppress, and persecute the rest."* ~James Madison, spoken at the Virginia convention on ratifying the American Constitution, June 1778.

A racial genealogy underlies the racist interpretation of the Biblical Canaan's curse, assuming that the progeny of Shem became the Jewish people, the descendants of Japheth became White people, and these two were the rightful masters of those descended from Ham, the *"Degraded"* Black race. In one stroke of dubious demography, slavery became the right, and proper place of Africans specifically, and exclusively. ~cf. Robert Lewis Dabney, *A Defence of Virginia*, 104.

In Robert Lewis Dabney's mind, the so-called gentle ministrations of torture, the whip, branding iron, and other accepted Christian admonitions of slaves, not considered human to obey their masters had the positive effect of commending Christianity owners Black people, property, chattel. ~cf. Matthew 28:20.

In modern America, it can be said that all should be treated as equals, but at the very founding of this country, the principles that this country was supposed to be built on have not been available to everyone, nor practiced judiciously.

Separation of Church and State is really non-existent. A claim, and nothing more, evidenced by our gratuitous approach to the religious zealots. The first clause in the Bill of Rights states that *"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion."* Recognizing that no document is ever inerrant, James Madison drafted the Bill of Rights in 1789, while serving as a representative in the nation's first Congress.

In April of 2023, the State Senate of Texas voted in favor of a bill requiring all public school classrooms to display a copy of the Biblical Ten Commandments. Now, let's see if the Jews want all 613 Utterances of God displayed, or Muslims demand Quranic verses also be displayed.

A previous Texas state law requires school districts in the state to display posters of the *"In God We Trust"* motto, as long as the copies were donated or purchased from private donations. ~CNN.

State Rep. Sen. Bryan Hughes, co-author of the unconstitutional law, stated at the time that the phrase asserted, *"Our collective trust in a sovereign God."*

The war debt from the Seven Years War caused the British to impose taxes on American colonists, and the Sugar Act caused the colonists to protest, *"Taxation without representation,"* which eventually led to boycotting all British goods, and hurting the war that weakened Britain.

Once news of the American Revolution spread, France chose to assist America in

hopes to severely cripple Great Britain.

The proclaimed Separation between Church and State in the end supposedly preserves moderation within society, yet withholds an individual's right to the First Amendment.

*"... In 1789, James Madison sent me a copy of the proposed amendments to the Constitution, and I wrote him that I thought he should make it clear that although our citizens are allowed to speak or publish whatever they choose, they ought not to be permitted to present false facts, which might affect injuriously the life, liberty, property, or reputation of others or affect the national peace with regard to foreign nations. Just the other day I reminded James Madison of that sad omission in our Constitution, and he agreed that today's monstrous press is a direct result of the careless way the First Amendment was written."* ~Gore Vidal,

*American Chronicle.*

According to Harry Elmer Barnes, writing in 1966, *"... Revisionism was applied to the American Revolution many years ago,"* and has been applied to every other war in which the U.S. government had been involved since.

Harry Elmer Barnes placed great emphasis on the importance of newly discovered facts as a justification for the revisionist's work. *"It is only rarely that the belated discovery of new documents revolutionizes some part of history."* ~

William Appleman Williams, 1973.

Censorship for the good of the masses, or the good of a corrupted bureaucracy? What may be the most epoch-making fact about an alternative, or *"Revisionist" "Alternative History," "Disjunctive Truths,"* perspective of American history is the remarkably hospitable reception it will enjoy from both the general public and from the self same sycophant educational establishment that only a few short years ago was diligently teaching students something entirely different.

*"Revisionism dates from the beginnings of historical writing,"* and that *"The first true historian"* in Ancient Greece, Hecataeus of Miletus, *"Is known chiefly as a revisionist of traditional Greek tales about Hellenic origins."* ~Harry Elmer Barnes,

*Revisionism: A Key to Peace.*

However, Harry Elmer Barnes stressed the importance of re-interpreting long-known facts. *"By the close of the 19<sup>th</sup> century,"* Mr. Barnes wrote in 1937 in his *History of Historical Writing*, the student of history was in a condition not unlike that in which the physicist, chemist, or biologist would find himself if supplied with a vast number of note books containing carefully set down records of countless experiments, scandals, and observations, but without any real attempt to interpret the significance of this mass of material or to derive from it scientific laws of general applicability.

Revisionists have for centuries cleaned up the sins of our Founding fathers. In the eyes of self proclaimed moral Christians, there was the matter of Thomas Jefferson's Black slave, Sally Hemings, or as Aaron Burr referred to her, *"Jefferson's concubine Sally, by whom he had at least five children,"* whom was the illegitimate daughter of John Wayles, Jefferson's father-in-law, Burr states, *"... Which made her the half-sister of Jefferson's late wife. [...]"*

Amusing that that in bedding his beautiful looking light skinned Black slave, Jefferson was also sleeping with his sister-in-law! Years after his wife's death, Thomas Jefferson fathered at least six of Sally Hemings's children.

Neither truth, facts, reality, nor history, *"The vast majority of the writing on American history,... Has been concerned with its political and legal phases."*

~Harry Elmer Barnes.

Aaron Burr tells of Thomas Jefferson's hypocrisy and lust for power. According to Aaron Burr, Thomas Jefferson tried to suspend habeas corpus so he could continue to hold two of Burr's alleged associates in a military prison and *"Beyond the reach of the Constitution."*

The elite society, the privileged autocracy, the Framers of our Constitution pursued their task less under the alleged spell of the high ideals of 1776 than with their eyes trained on the main chance. With a new nation came new problems.

A young immature United States believed that it had inherited an *"Indian problem,"* from European settlers, but it would be equally fair to say that the victory at Yorktown confronted the Indians with an insoluble *"American problem."*

Encouraging commerce, mercantilism, profits, and manufactures, protection of private property, establishing financial instruments essential for economic development were the issues that preoccupied those participating in the secret deliberations in Philadelphia, issues in which they held a large financial and personal stake.

On the issue of so-called Constitutional rights, Thomas Jefferson argued that *"... On great occasions, every good officer must be ready to risk himself in going beyond the strict line of law, when the public preservation requires it."*

Thomas Jefferson's political opponents, Jefferson acknowledged, *"... Will try to make something of the infringement of liberty by the military arrest, and deportation of citizens, but if it does not go beyond such offenders as Swartwout, Bollman, Burr, Blennerhassett, etc., they will be supported by the public approbation."*

Aaron Burr's summary of Thomas Jefferson's view is succinct and unsparing. *"In other words,"* he states, *"If public opinion is not unduly aroused one may safely set aside the Constitution and illegally arrest one's enemies."*

Aaron Burr was no angel, becoming involved in an incendiary seditious movement; the mastermind behind a futile attempt to levy war against the United States. *"He was the Alpha and Omega of this treasonable scheme,"* lawyer Alexander MacRae proclaimed during a speech, *"The very body and soul, the very life of this treason,"* of which Chief Supreme Court Justice John Marshall found Burr innocent.

Historians love to white wash the political indiscretions of our Presidents. In Gore Vidal's historical series, Abraham Lincoln, the President employs the same tactics, and justifies his actions in a very similar way.

It is now more than fifty years after Thomas Jefferson's abortive attempt to suspend rights and liberties via denial of habeas corpus, a recourse in law through which a person can report an unlawful detention, or imprisonment to a court, and request that the court order the custodian of the person, usually a prison official, to bring the prisoner to court, to determine whether or not the detention is lawful.

Abraham Lincoln suspends the rights of men, suspending habeas corpus, and prepares for war against those Southern states that seceded from the Union at the beginning of his first term in the White House.

In his attempt to ensure that Maryland does not join those seceded states,

Abraham Lincoln also imposes Martial Law, orders the arrest of *"Anyone who takes up arms, or incites others to take up arms, against the Federal government,"* and orders further that those arrested be held *"Indefinitely without ever charging them with any offense."*

Our early elected officials in a heavy Christianized population, granted Christian Churches tax exempt status on their properties, and further tax exemptions began formally in 1913 at the federal level, though there is a much longer history of exempting charitable, educational, scientific, and religious institutions from taxation, and military obligations.

*"The tax exemption for churches can be traced back to the Roman Empire, when Constantine, Emperor of Rome from 306-337 C.E., granted the Christian Church a complete exemption from all forms of taxation following his supposed conversion to Christianity circa 312 C.E. Church property used for religious purposes was tax-exempt in medieval England, based on the rationale that the Church relieved the state of some governmental functions, and therefore deserved a benefit in return. The English Statute of Charitable Uses of 1601, which included Churches along with all other charitable institutions, formed the basis of America's modern tax exemption for charities."* ~cf. *Encyclopedia Britannica, Constantine.*

Supreme Court Justice Black decided that the First Amendment is equivalent to the Biblical admonition to render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and unto God what is God's, under the assumption that a discernible distinction could be made without any significant conflict between what is Caesar's and what is God's.

The whole point of the First Amendment's attempt being to protect freedom of religion is that over time, Caesar tended to intrude upon God.

The annual cost to American citizens in granting religious institutes tax exempt status is \$2,400,000,000.00 annually; money which I believe could be better spent on schools, law enforcement, and medical assistance instead of more expensive toys for the clergy. ~cf. Acts 17:24-28.

Tax payers are forced to pay for both public and private schools? In 2022, the Supreme Court ruled 6-3 in *Carson v. Makin* that Maine could not exclude families who send their children to religious schools from its state-funded tuition reimbursement program.

*"The challenge for those who want to protect religious liberty in the United States, Europe, and other similar places, is to convince people who are not religious that religious liberty is worth special protection, and that will not be easy to do."* ~U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito.

During the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, opposition to churches retaining property tax exemptions was strongly expressed by at least three U.S. Presidents: James Madison, James Garfield, and Ulysses S. Grant.

And yet Congress looks the other way when it comes to tax exempt status of religious groups, and even so-called self proclaimed religious groups, with no God, such as the Scientologists. Churches and religious organizations, which the IRS now loosely defines as any entities organized for so-called *"Religious purposes,"* or for supposedly *"Advancing religion,"* are listed separately from other tax-exempt entities, and charities, and can be subject to different rules.

In 1970, the U.S. Supreme Court held that property tax exemptions for churches are in keeping with the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment, in *Walz v.*

Tax Commission.

Some religious congregations do engage in relief efforts for the poor, and needy, mostly pennies on the dollar, but many do not, and of the few that do, many give a very small amount of their revenue for such charitable purposes.

For approximately the first 150 years of the country's existence, there was little debate over the meaning of this clause in the Constitution, but, as the citizenry became more diverse, challenges soon arose to existing unfair laws, and practices, and eventually, the Supreme Court was called upon to determine the meaning of the establishment clause. ~cf. Hana M. Ryman, J. Mark Alcorn, *Establishment Clause Separation of Church and State*.

It is not explicitly stated in the First Amendment, the clause which is so often interpreted to mean that the Constitution requires the Separation of Church and State. Roger Williams, founder of Rhode Island, opined that an authentic Christian Church would be possible only if there was "*A wall or hedge of separation,*" between the "*Wilderness of the world,*" and "*The Garden of the Church,*" believing that any government involvement in the Church would corrupt the Church, which it has with the Christian ministry living in huge mansions, flying around tax free in fabulous jets, and driving about in beautiful and expensive limousines at tax payers' expense.

After Jefferson was in 1800 elected third president of the United States, a group of Baptist clergy from Danbury, Connecticut, sent Jefferson a letter appealing to him to use his influence as President to make the law of the land that Christ would be legally recognized as the legally, and governmentally, and officially recognized deity.

Thomas Jefferson, in his 1802 letter to the Danbury Baptist Association, declared that when the American people adopted the establishment clause they built a "*Wall of separation between the Church and State,*" that he had earlier witnessed the turmoil of the American colonists as they struggled to combine governance with religious expression as some colonies experimented with religious freedom while others strongly supported an established Christian Church.

Thomas Jefferson, an Anti-Federalist, stated his intention to keep government out of religious affairs rather than empower it to remove religion from the public arena, "*Adhering to this expression of the supreme will of the nation in the behalf of the rights of conscience, I shall see with sincere satisfaction the progress of those sentiments, which tend to restore to man all his natural rights, convinced he has no natural rights in opposition to his social duties.*"

The facts remain of the American gross violations of individual liberties that have been championed by numerous U.S. Presidents, e.g., John Adams' Sedition Acts, Andrew Jackson's genocidal treatment of the Native American Indians, Abraham Lincoln's military conscription and his suspension of habeas corpus, and his imprisonment of newspaper editors who dared to disagree with his prosecution of the Civil War, William McKinley's inhumane suppression of the independence movement in the Philippines after the Spanish American War, Franklin Roosevelt's order to round up American citizens of Japanese ancestry and imprison them in concentration camps are some of the many inconvenient facts likely to be selected for inclusion in a textbook based on the "*Commonly shared principle*" of the self proclaimed piousness of the U.S. Government.

What you will not read in your history book is that Christian religious persecutions were so bad here that Ben Franklin fled Massachusetts for Philadelphia in 1723 when he was seventeen years old, specifically, as he noted, at length, in his autobiography, to get away from the hypocritical religious fanatics who ran the state.

Thomas Jefferson created the metaphor of "*Separation of Church and State*," in a letter where he mentions a "*Wall of separation*," to no avail as the ministry is Hell bent in acquiring tax exempt benefits at the expense of the taxpayers.

Tax exempt Church in America were not always smiled upon. One of the decisive battlegrounds for disestablishment was Jefferson's colony of Virginia, where the strong Anglican Church had long been the powerfully established Church as both Jefferson and fellow Virginian James Madison felt that state support for a particular religion or for any religion for that matter, was improper, arguing that compelling citizens to support through taxation a faith, especially a faith that they did not follow violated their natural right to religious liberty.

The two were aided in their struggle for disestablishment by the Baptists, Presbyterians, Quakers, and other "*Dissenting*" faiths of Anglican Virginia.

During the long fought out debates surrounding both its writing, and its ratification, many religious groups feared that the Constitution offered an insufficient guarantee of the civil and religious rights of citizens. To help win ratification, James Madison proposed a bill of rights that would now include religious liberty.

As sitting Presidents, though, both Jefferson and Madison could be accused of mixing religion, and government as Madison later issued proclamations on religious fasting, and thanksgivings, while Jefferson signed treaties that sent religious ministers to the Native Americans, and from its beginning, the Supreme Court opened each of its sessions with the cry "*God save the United States and this honorable court.*"

After World War II, that the Supreme Court officially interpreted the meaning of the establishment clause in *Everson v. Board of Education*, 1947, the Court held that the establishment clause is one of the liberties protected by the due process clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, making it applicable to state laws as well as local ordinances.

Our legislators are good at creating laws, but poor at enforcing the, as the rights of minorities are still abused into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The Fourteenth Amendment is one of a series of Constitutional provisions having a common purpose; namely, securing to a race recently emancipated, a race that through many generations had been held in slavery, all the civil rights that the superior race enjoy. ~cf. *Plessy v. Ferguson*.

The true Spirit and meaning of the amendments... Cannot be understood without keeping in view the history of the times when they were adopted, and the general objects they plainly sought to accomplish. At the time when they were incorporated into the Constitution, it required little knowledge of human nature to anticipate that those who had long been regarded as an inferior and subject race would, when suddenly raised to the rank of citizenship, be looked upon with jealousy and positive dislike, and that State laws might be enacted, or enforced, to perpetuate the distinctions that had before existed... [*The Fourteenth Amendment*] was designed to assure to the colored [*Black*] race the enjoyment of

all the civil rights that under the law are enjoyed by White persons, and to give to that race the protection of the general government in that enjoyment, whenever it should be denied by the States.

And, what of religious rights? Shall one religion have more rights than another? And who shall decide? A biased court system?

In 1952, in *Zorach v. Clauson*, 343 U.S. 306, 1952, the U.S. Supreme Court found that allowing New York students to leave school grounds for religious purposes, i.e., education is constitutional.

Church groups have been fighting for decades to reinstate Biblical teaching in our public schools, even declaring that lack of Bible teaching is the cause of rising crimes.

But, if the Bible is allowed, then why not the Torah, the Quran, or other religious teachings?

In 1948, the Supreme Court ruled in *McCullum v. Board of Education*, 333 U.S. 203. 1948, that religious education provided by churches on public school grounds in Illinois during the school day is unconstitutional.

A law suit, which led to a 1963 ruling by the Supreme Court in *Abington School District v. Schempp* that banned Bible reading, and the recitation of The Lord's Prayer in public schools, states that it violated the First Amendment's establishment clause requiring separation of church and state.

Nothing is sacred in the Bible, when it comes to prospective profits, conversions, and increasing one's followers. Changes to Matthew and the Lord's Prayer first appeared in Byzantine texts, which is much later than commonly believed.

In Biblical textual criticism, the Byzantine text-type, also called the Majority Text, Traditional Text, Ecclesiastical Text, Alexandrian text, Constantinopolitan Text, Antiocheian Text, or the Syrian Text, is one of several text types of the Greek New Testament manuscripts, and is the form found in the largest number of surviving Scriptural manuscripts.

The prayer known as the Lord's Prayer appears twice in the gospels, in differing versions, in both Luke and Matthew. Commonly among Protestant congregations, the prayer includes the doxology; *"For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."* ~Matthew 6:9-13.

Carved, and painted onto the Egyptian tombs and sacred temples, thousands of years ago, before Christ, before Allah, or the Hebrew YHVH, the invisible Egyptian African Sun God, *"Amen,"* is later joined with *"Ra"* to become *"Amen-Ra,"* the *"Self Begotten,"* something from nothing, or *"Self-Born,"* *"Unbegotten,"* something from nothingness, the Invisible, *"Creator and untiring Watcher."* ~E.A.

Wallis Budge, *Egyptian Book of the Dead*. Note: Amen [*Amon*] is the Egyptian King of the Gods. cf. Christian Lord's Prayer, and Psalm 23, Numbers 5:12-31, Numbers 5:22, Isaiah 42:8, Isaiah 65:16, Revelation 22:20-21, Psalms 41:13, Psalms 72:19, Psalms 89:52, Nehemiah 5:13, Nehemiah 8:6, Matthew 6:13, Romans 1:25, Romans 9:5, Romans 11:36, Romans 15:33, Romans 16:20-27, Paul in I Corinthians 14:16 and II Corinthians 1:20, John 3:3, Mark 9:1, Luke 9:27, Jeremiah 28:6, Revelation 3:14.

*"This Court continues to dismantle the wall of Separation between Church and State that the framers fought to build."* ~Justice Sotomayor.

Our Supreme Court Justices reflect their personal beliefs on our laws whether you like it or not. Justice Thomas connects the founding period, and national identity, with Christianity, and on September 2021, Thomas delivered a lecture regarding his Catholicism at the Notre Dame School of Law, linking Christianity, and the founding, as motivation for returning to his own faith, *"As I rediscovered the God given principles of the Declaration [of Independence], and our founding,*



*I eventually returned to the Church, which had been teaching the same truths for millennia... The Declaration endures because it... Reflects the noble understanding of the justice of the Creator to his creatures."*

*"I know now that all people hunger for a noble, unsullied past, that as sure as the Black nationalist dreams of a sublime Africa before the White man's corruption, so did Thomas Jefferson dream of an idyllic Britain before the Normans, so do all of us dream of some other time when things were so simple. I know now that that hunger is a retreat from the knotty present into myth, and that what ultimately awaits those who retreat into fairy tales, who seek refuge in the mad pursuit to be made great again, in the image of greatness that never was, is tragedy."* ~Ta-Nehisi Coates, *We Were Eight Years in Power: An American Tragedy*.

Justice Neil Gorsuch, nominated by President Donald J Trump on January 31, 2017, speaking privately in 2018 to the Thomistic Institute, a group that, *"Exists to promote Catholic truth in our contemporary world by strengthening the intellectual formation of Christians... In the wider public square."*

In *Lemon v. Kurtzman*, 1971, the Supreme Court established a three-pronged test for laws dealing with religious establishment.

To be constitutional a statute must have *"A secular legislative purpose,"* that it must have principal effects that neither advance, nor inhibit religion, and it must not foster *"An excessive government entanglement with religion."*

Will all religions, Jewish, Islam, Sikh, Zen, Buddhists, etc., one day be compelled to recognize America as a Christian nation? *"The day will come when the mystical generation of Jesus by the Supreme Being, as his father, in the womb of a virgin, will be classed with the fable of the generation of Minerva in the brain of Jupiter."* ~Thomas Jefferson, declared a Christian by tele-evangelists who claim that our Founding Fathers were Christian and founded a Christian nation. cf. Deuteronomy 22:13-21.

Historical accounts at the time of the 1787 Constitutional Convention indicate that the Framers, and political leaders, largely believed that governmental endorsements of religion would result in tyranny and persecution.

There was a *"Concerted campaign"* from the Anti-Federalists to *"Discredit the Constitution as irreligious, which for many of its opponents was its principal flaw,"* along with repeated attempts to add Christian verbiage to the Constitution.

*"Where the 'Preamble' declares, that coercion is a departure from the plan of the Holy author of our religion, an amendment was proposed, by inserting the word 'Jesus Christ,' so that it should read, 'A departure from the plan of Jesus Christ, the Holy author of our religion;' the insertion was rejected by a great majority, in proof that they meant to comprehend, within the mantle of its protection, the Jew, and the Gentile, the Christian, and the Mahometan, the Hindu, and Infidel of every denomination."* ~Thomas Jefferson, 3<sup>rd</sup> President of the U.S.

Many Christian groups claim Thomas Jefferson as one of their own. *"Question with boldness even the existence of a God, because, if there be one, he must more approve of the homage of reason than that of blindfolded fear."* ~Thomas Jefferson 1787.

Thomas Jefferson and James Madison were strong supporters in the 1700's, and in the early 1800's, of science, and of the standards of science, which frequently went contrary to their Christian brethren; To them, meant, *"Determination of what is true or false by reason, and evidence."*

Thomas Jefferson believed that the world in which we lived, the world we could observe, the world we could analyze, and assess, and appraise, was the only world we should assume was there, and which should determine our thinking, our perception, and our views.

Separation or no separation... *"All religions united with government are more or less inimical [Hostile] to liberty. All, separated from government, are compatible with liberty."* ~Henry Clay, American statesman and orator, 1777-1852.

In Pennsylvania, the White population doubled between 1740 and 1760, and the pressure on stealing Indian lands increased formidably; in 1754, encouraged by French agents, Indian warriors struck, commencing a long, and bloody conflict known as the French and Indian War or the Seven Years' War.

By 1763, according to one estimate, about 2,000 White settlers had been killed, kidnapped, or vanished into captivity. Stories of real, exaggerated, and imaginary atrocities spread quickly by word of mouth, in narratives of imprisonment, and by means of local provincial newspapers.

On December 14, 1763, about 57 drunken settlers from Paxton, Pennsylvania, slaughtered 20 innocent and defenseless Susquehannock, Conestoga Indians, near Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Some British officers gave orders that any captured Indians be given no quarter, and even after the culmination of formal hostilities, harsh feelings continued to run so high that murderers of Indians, like the infamous Paxton Boys, were applauded rather than arrested or punished.

In 1756, Pennsylvania Lieutenant-Governor Robert Hunter Morris, in his declaration of war against the Lenni Lenape, Delaware Indians, offered *"One-Hundred-Thirty Pieces of Eight, for the Scalp of Every Male Indian Enemy, above the Age of Twelve Years,"* and *"Fifty Pieces of Eight for the Scalp of Every Indian Woman, produced as evidence of their being killed."*

*"I will insist the Hebrews have [contributed] more to civilize men than any other nation. If I was an Atheist, and believed in blind Eternal fate, I should still believe that fate had ordained the Jews to be the most essential instrument for civilizing the nations ... They are the most glorious nation that ever inhabited this Earth. The Romans, and their Empire, were but a bubble in comparison to the Jews. They have given religion to three-quarters of the globe, and have influenced the affairs of mankind more and more happily than any other nation, ancient or modern."* ~John Adams, Second President of the United States, From a letter to F. A. Van der Kemp, Feb. 16, 1808, Pennsylvania Historical Society.

Are Americans willing to acquiesce, to subject themselves to the will of a religiously biased Supreme Court, or will religious dissension ultimately be the downfall of this great nation?

Nowadays, no longer seldom, do we hear the vindictive words of the Christian Spiritual Evangelists, intent on forcing their beliefs on a nation, *"How awful are those words, Isaiah 63:3, which are the Words of the great God. 'I will tread them in mine anger, and will trample them in my fury, and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.' It is perhaps impossible to conceive of words that carry in them greater manifestations of these three things, viz. contempt, and hatred, and fierceness of indignation. If you cry to God to pity you, he will be so far from pitying you in your doleful case, or showing you the least regard or favor, that instead of that, he will only tread you under foot. And though he will know that you cannot bear the weight of*

*omnipotence treading upon you, yet he will not regard that, but he will crush you under his feet without mercy; He will crush out your blood, and make it fly, and it shall be sprinkled on his garments, so as to stain all his raiment. He will not only hate you, but he will have you in the utmost contempt: no place shall be thought fit for you, but under his feet to be trodden down as the mire of the streets."*

~Jonathan Edwards, sermon, *Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God*.

Will a Supreme Court Catholic majority one day dictate what we believe? "... *Guardians of that faith to which the Christian nations owe their morality, and civil redemption, we must dutifully discharge each one of our supreme tasks. Therefore, we must raise our voice in loud protestations against the impious war, which tries to take such a precious treasure away from you, beloved children. Already taught by long, and sorrowful experience, you know well the terrible trials of this war, you who deplore it in your hearts as Catholics, and as Italians We do not wish to exaggerate the Masonic power by attributing to its direct, and immediate action all the evils, which presently preoccupy us.*" ~Pope Leo XIII.

Every Sunday, the Christian ministry proudly proclaims America as being a Christian nation. Our government may not be perfect, and the Founding fathers were quite aware of this, which is why they made allowances for change with Amendments.

In the Supreme Court's 1892, *Holy Trinity Church v. United States* decision, Justice David Brewer writes, "*This is a Christian Nation.*"

Fortunately, Justice David Brewer's statement occurred '*In Dicta*,' a legal term meaning the writing that reflects a judge's personal opinion, and not an official court pronouncement that sets legally binding precedent.

*"It is contended by many that ours is a Christian government, founded upon the Bible, and that all who look upon that book as false or foolish are destroying the foundation of our country. The truth is, our government is not founded upon the rights of Gods, but upon the rights of men. Our Constitution was framed, not to declare, and uphold the deity of Christ, but the sacredness of humanity. Ours is the first government made by the people, for the people. It is the only nation with which the Gods have nothing to do. And yet there are some judges dishonest, and cowardly enough to solemnly decide that this is a Christian country, and that our free institutions are based upon the infamous Laws of Jehovah."* ~Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, American Free Thinker.

The rights of Gods?

- x There is but One God. ~Deuteronomy 4:35-39, Deuteronomy 6:4, Deuteronomy 32:39, I Corinthians 8:6, II Samuel 7:22, I Kings 8:60, II KINGS 5:15, II Kings 19:15, Nehemiah 9:6, Psalm 18:31, Isaiah 37:16-20, Zechariah 14:9, Mark 12:29-34, John 17:3, etc.

Vs.

- x There are a plurality of Gods. ~Genesis 1:26, Genesis 3:22, Genesis 18:1-3, I John 5:7

Obey before you complain. This passive acquiescence is indicative of the thinking of many third world Christian nations today, teaching their submissive members not to challenge authority; good, bad, corrupt, etc. ~cf. Matthew 28:20.

Saint Ignatius' system of demanding a "*Blind Obedience*" has done as much to paralyze the spread of the Jesuit Order, as it has to help spread its doctrines.

No singular person more loved liberty or the virtues of freedom more than Ignatius, his error being in the means, rather than its cause. "*Theirs is not to reason why, theirs is but to do and die.*" ~U.K. Poet Laureate of the time, Lord Alfred Tennyson, 1984, Charge of the Light Brigade.

They pretend to come with a message from God, all the while exhausting themselves in spouting their lies, and imposing on the masses Blind Obedience to the *"Words of the Master."* ~cf. II Corinthians 4:4.

The Bible instructs man to submit to the Governing Authorities: Bow Down To Authoritarian Figures, whether Good, Bad, or Evil.

The Universal Roman Church demands obedience, regardless of the mendacity of the proclaimed authorities, monarchs, or rulers. In 21<sup>st</sup> century America absolute obedience is instituted with banning of books, suppression of speech, and stigmatizing those who dare speak out against corrupt governance, just like the old days *"[...] For this reason, and to kill this mortal pestilence, we ask and require that no one dare to compose, write, print, paint, sell, buy, or have printed, written, sold, or painted, from now on in whatever manner such pernicious articles so much against the Holy Orthodox faith, and against that which the Catholic Apostolic Church has kept and observed to this day. We likewise condemn anything that speaks against the Holy Father, against the prelates of the Church, and against the secular princes, the general schools, and their faculties, and all other honest people, whether in positions of authority or not. And in the same manner we condemn everything that is contrary to the good moral character of the people, to the Holy Roman Church, and to the Christian public good."* ~Emperor Charles V, City of Worms, Edict and mandate, Condemning Heresy and Those Who Challenge Ecclesiastical and Secular Authority, January 1, 1521.

*"In a like manner we must endure the authority of the prince. If he misuse, or abuse his authority, we are not to entertain a grudge, seek revenge or punishment. Obedience is to be rendered for God's sake, for the ruler is God's representative. However they may tax or exact, we must obey, and endure patiently."* ~Fr. Martin Luther, *Tribute to Caesar*, sermon, from *The Political Theories of Martin Luther*, Luther Hess Waring, 1910, p. 104. cf. Matthew 28:20.

It's their way, or else. The Christian Church abhors dissenters. Obey! *"Father Luther destroys all civil police and hierarchical, and ecclesiastical order, so that people are led to rebel against their superiors, spiritual, and temporal, and to start killing, stealing, and burning, to the great loss and ruin of public and Christian good. Furthermore, he institutes a way of life by which people do whatever they please, like beasts. They behave like men living without any law, condemning and despising all civil and canon laws to the extent that Father Luther, by excessive presumption, has publicly burned the decretals and as we might expect would have burned the imperial civil law had he not had more fear of the imperial and royal swords than he had of apostolic excommunication."*

~Emperor Charles V, City of Worms, Edict and mandate, Condemning Heresy and Those Who Challenge Ecclesiastical and Secular Authority, January 1, 1521.

The right to maintain Spiritual Purity is proclaimed as the Orthodox Churches' professed right to deny mankind access to the Truth [*Freedom of the press, freedom of religion, freedom of free thought regarding the role of God in one's life.*]

The injustices, and cruelties of this world are often explained, and reasoned away by the Christian Church telling the masses that it is God's Way, and they would be rewarded in the *Next World*, if they obeyed in this world. ~cf. Matthew 28:20.

By the time the Supreme Court issued the opinion in *Holy Trinity*, "... 19<sup>th</sup> century America was a mild form of Protestant theocracy. In this period, Protestantism was America's 'de facto' established religion, and Protestants

*overwhelmingly held power in the government. Alas, there are plenty of historical cherries to pick if the Court, as it did in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, No. 19-1392, 597 U.S., 2022, decides to tether non-secular government in 'History, and tradition.'"* ~Mokhtar Ben Barka.

How ingenious they are with words to protect their beliefs and not our rights. Is this what we are being exposed to by our religious Supreme Court Justices? Benign rhetoric?

Is politics being pushed into defense of religion vs. defense of civil, and human rights? As Elizabeth Dias, the national religion correspondent for *The New York Times*, covering faith, politics, and culture, recently chronicled, the push for a Christian government is sweeping GOP politics.

At Cornerstone Christian Center, a Church near Aspen, Colorado, Rep. Lauren Boebert, Republican-Colorado, received a standing ovation after urging that, "... *The Church is supposed to direct the government.*"

Will America ever receive a true separation of Church and State, or will religious fanatics continue to get their way causing poor tax payers to pay the tab for religious and political corruption? Republican nominee for Pennsylvania governor, Doug Mastriano called the Separation of Church and state a "*Myth.*" ... *"In November 2022, we are going to take our state back,"* Mr. Mastriano said. *"My God will make it so."*

The End of the World? For centuries Christianity has preached the End of Time tale, which they have channeled into trillions of dollars in profits, and increased attendance.

Yet, thousands of years before Hebraic literature [*Old Testament*] Jesus, or Allah... *"Our earth is becoming degenerate in these Latter Days. There are signs that the world is rapidly approaching the End. Children will no longer obey their parents. Everybody wants to write a book. The 'End of the World' is manifestly drawing nigh."* ~Written by an Egyptian 6,000 years ago now in the Imperial Museum, Constantinople. Ancient Tablet: *The World is Speedily Coming to an End. Everyone Wants to Write a Book.* cf. Matthew 28:20.

The elderly, those who no longer contribute to society, should kill themselves? Texas Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, a Christian Republican, told Fox News, *"Let's get back to living... And those of us that are 70-plus, we'll take care of ourselves."*

*"Even if we all get sick, I would rather die than kill the country."* ~Glenn Beck, American conservative political commentator, radio host, entrepreneur, and television producer. .

Are we ready to let the Christian right dictate who will live or die, or revise our Constitution to enforce their viewpoints? e.g., Useless eaters? *"What we're living in now, this circumstance as we try to beat this virus, is not sustainable, that the utter collapse of the country's economy, which many think will happen if this goes on much longer, is an intolerable result... He is saying, for his own part, that he'd be willing to take a risk of getting the disease if that's what it took to allow the economy to move forward. And he said that because he's late in life, you know, that he would be perhaps more willing then he might've been at a younger age, which seems to me to be an entirely reasonable viewpoint."* ~Brit Hume, Fox News commentator.

Those in power seek more power, *"The Justice Department has quietly asked Congress for the ability to ask chief judges to detain people indefinitely without trial during emergencies, part of a push for new powers that comes as the novel coronavirus spreads throughout the United States... The move has tapped into a*

*broader fear among civil liberties advocates and Donald Trump's critics that the President [Donald J Trump] will use a moment of crisis to push for controversial policy changes. Already, he has cited the pandemic as a reason for heightening border restrictions, and restricting asylum claims. He has also pushed for further tax cuts as the economy withers, arguing it would soften the financial blow to Americans. And even without policy changes, Trump has vast emergency powers that he could deploy right now to try to slow the coronavirus outbreak."* ~Betsy Woodruff Swan for Politico, AlterNet.

A total disregard of our Constitutional Rights? Secret agreements without Congressional or Senatorial voting or due process?

*"... You could be arrested and never brought before a judge until they decide that the emergency or the civil disobedience is over. I find it absolutely terrifying. Especially in a time of emergency, we should be very careful about granting new powers to the government... That is something that should not happen in a democracy."* ~Norman L. Reimer, Executive Director, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

Those who claim to represent our democratic way of life are suspiciously acting to deny them. *"Anti-Democracy, executive predominance, and elite rule are basic elements of inverted totalitarianism. Antidemocracy does not take the form of overt attacks upon the idea of government by the people. Instead, politically it means encouraging what I have earlier dubbed 'Civic demobilization,' conditioning an electorate to being aroused for a brief spell, controlling its attention span, and then encouraging distraction or apathy. The intense pace of work, and the extended working day, combined with job insecurity, is a formula for political demobilization, for privatizing the citizenry... It works indirectly. Citizens are encouraged to distrust their government, and politicians; To concentrate upon their own interests; To begrudge their taxes, and to exchange active involvement for symbolic gratifications of patriotism, collective self-righteousness, and military prowess. Above all, de-politicization is promoted through society's being enveloped in an atmosphere of collective fear and of individual powerlessness: Fear of terrorists, loss of jobs, the uncertainties of pension plans, soaring health costs, and rising educational expenses."* ~Philosopher Sheldon Wolin.

The sad part was Christian pastors, ministers, clergy openly signing on to the extermination, annihilation, elimination, death of senior citizens who are considered a burden on society, after giving decades of their life to earn a retirement, yet none of these predominantly old goats volunteered to take their own lives, which is reminiscent of the Sci-Fi movie, *Soylen Green*, an American 1973 ecological dystopian thriller film directed by Richard Fleischer, and starring Charlton Heston, Leigh Taylor-Young, and Edward G. Robinson.

Indeed, these are the many persons who may be properly called liars, and they stand behind pulpits every Sabbath preaching their Noble Lies. ~cf. Acts 17:25, Matthew 18:6, I Timothy 3:2-3, I Timothy 5:8, I Timothy 6:9, II Thessalonians 3:10, and Ephesians 6:1-2.

picks up his wireless mic, the service takes a sharp rightward turn.

No Muslims, no Jews, no Sikhs are considered. Will it one day be their way or the highway? *"Don't let the mainstream media or the left tell you that we were not a Christian nation,"* Rev. Ken Peters intones, prowling the altar in an anti-abortion T-shirt. *"You know why there's Churches everywhere, and not mosques? Because we're a Christian Nation!"*

In the 21<sup>st</sup> century, numerous states in the Bible Belt are promoting censorship,

banning books, suppressing books which tell the shameful truth about their Christian faith, using state and federal laws to enforce their self proclaimed rights.

Using Romans 13 as their defense, claiming that is what [*their*] God wants them to do. Nobody's God but the Christian God can speak for America? Should any man made God speak for America? ~cf. I Peter 2:13.

Radical[?] California state legislators are pushing a new bill that wouldn't just allow schools to stock far-left books; it would require them to do it. The author of AB 1078, is Asm. Corey Jackson who states this bill, *"Is to combat the National Christian White Supremacist Movement, which is aimed to ban books."* By introducing seemingly innocuous bills, uncontroversial bills such as those that require public schools to post the national motto, *"In God We Trust,"* Project Blitz attempts to lay the Christian foundation for harmful legislation that grants special privileges to their so-called ultra conservative Christian views over all others.

Already, when Christian supported hospitals merge, often times some, or all of their policies, will also merge. Policies that govern Catholic hospitals, also known as *"Directives,"* are issued by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, USCCB, for the hundreds of Catholic hospitals in the United States, which do not support abortions, family planning, hysterectomies, tubal ligations, nor sexual devised for protection against STD's. Bureaucratic non-doctor, non-medical elected officials are passing laws that increase deaths with their laws rather than saving lives with hospitals unable to risk making a decision that would bring about a law suit... Who do you save? The mother, or the child? Time is of the essence, and byreaucratic paperwork and delays helps neither.

Rewriting the law? The Donald J Trump administration announced that South Carolina foster agencies are not required to comply with federal non-discrimination rules barring discrimination on the basis of religion, even if they receive federal funding.

By merely threatening to erode the Separation of Church and State at both the Federal and State levels, the Donald J Trump administration has allowed extraordinary privileges to a certain set of religious beliefs, and political goals over the rights of the majority.

More than 100 religious groups, and 4,000 faith leaders from the 50 states, and 5,000 non-profits have opposed the repeal of the Johnson Amendment, which Donald J Trump supports, which would not allow religious groups to preach, advocate, sponsor, and contribute to political candidates, without having to pay taxes as a political organization, and not religious institute.

Already our government is turning the other cheek in the enforcement of the Johnson Act, even though it is presently being used as a weaponized as a tool for religious discrimination and political gain, weakening non-discrimination protections.

In the 21<sup>st</sup> century little has changed. Section 394 of the Act Concerning Civil Cases, which barred the use of testimony by Blacks, Mulattoes, and Indians against Whites, should also be extended to banning the testimony of Chinese.

The People of the State of California v. George W. Hall, or People v. Hall, 4 Cal. 399, which was an appealed murder case in the 1850's, in which the California Supreme Court established that Chinese Americans [*basically interpreted as any*

*minority*], and Chinese immigrants had no right to testify against White citizens. The opinion was delivered in 1854 by Chief Justice Hugh Murray with the concurrence of Justice Solomon Heydenfeldt. Even the California Supreme Court, in an opinion delivered by Chief Justice Hugh Murray with the concurrence of Justice Solomon Heydenfeldt, sided with Hall. ~The People, Respondent, v. George W. Hall, Appellant, Supreme Court of the State of California, 1854. Smith, S. E., Laying Some History On You: People v. Hall.

The working minority man's new adversary remains the same with the addition of corporate America. In Case No. SMCVS 1300237, 2013, Victorville Superior Court, against Wawanesa Insurance, the defendant, Wawanesa's representative was allowed by the bailiff to have private counsel with the judge, with no plaintiff allowed to be present. During the trial the judge then stated that the appellant's evidence was too much to read, hence he [*the judge*] did not open it, or read it. In Case No. SCBA 2300086, Barstow Superior Court, against United healthcare, March 28, 2023, Judge David Tulcan ruled against the plaintiff who did not provide a preponderance of evidence. A preponderance of evidence? Or a two tiered system of justice? So, is all other evidences to be ignored? Internet sites with images and pictures of medical hardware [*supposedly*] provided, medical documentation of plaintiff's medical disabilities, incapacitation medical record, written correspondence between defendant United HealthCare, their agent Heritage Victor Valley Medical Group, and their so-called medical hardware provider Sg Homecare Inc., wasn't enough? So, the judge, in essence, is allowing United HealthCare to continue advertising medical hardware, hardware which it refuses to be provided to its subscribers.